

Town Counsel accepts fixed fee contract

By **STEPHEN BJORK**

WILMINGTON - For the first time since 2003, Wilmington will be paying a fixed fee for legal services.

Town Counsel Paul DeRensis, of the Boston law firm of Deutsche Williams, has agreed

to a Fiscal Year 2008 contract stipulating compensation of \$250,000 per annum for legal services provided to the Town of Wilmington.

The town has struggled with escalating legal costs since 2003 when the Board of Selectmen

voted to abandon its long held practice of paying a fixed amount per year for its legal services.

At the time, DeRensis - who had been on the job just five months - told selectmen that the agreed upon compensation

of \$132,800 per annum was resulting in a loss to his firm of more than \$100,000. The Board then voted to accept a contract authored by DeRensis that included a retainer for day-to-day legal services and accommodated hourly billing for spe-

cialized legal services.

Since that time, funds expended on legal services have far exceeded \$200,000 for each year.

Three current selectmen are new to the Board since 2003, and the Board has been united this year in its intent to return

to a fixed fee arrangement. The Board voted unanimously at its September 10th meeting to accept Selectman Raymond Lepore's proposal of a fixed fee contract in the amount of \$250,000 for legal services pro-

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Which way is up? Stanley Dancewicz, age 12, walked the wall at Camp 40 Acres to help Tom Barry raise money for his Eagle Scout Project.

(photo by Maureen Lamoureux-www.shootingstarspix.com)

Patrick announces over \$2 million to support I-93 junction

BOSTON - Governor Deval Patrick announced on Monday, September 24th, \$2.4 million in state grants to the town of Andover to launch the long awaited I-93 Interchange - to be located between the Route 125 and Dascomb Road interchanges - and support the local road improvements that will support 100 new jobs and future expansion at Wyeth Pharmaceuticals and the long

term economic vitality of a region that has been land locked due to the lack of acces-

Expansion (MORE) Jobs Capital program and the Public Works Economic Development

Commonwealth partners with Andover and Wyeth to unlock the significant economic development potential of the Merrimack Valley and create the long-term possibility for thousands of new jobs

sibility. The grants, funded through the Massachusetts Opportunity Relocation and

(PWED) program will help ensure that the region will have the funds necessary to support

longterm business relocation and/or expansion leading to economic development and job growth.

"This is an excellent example of what we can accomplish by partnering with industry and investing in our communities," said Governor Patrick. "Wyeth has shown strong leadership in the life science industry and here in the Merrimack Valley

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From our Wilmington Middle School Correspondent...

Christine McMenimen is Wilmington Middle School's new Principal

By **HEATHER RAWSON**

WILMINGTON - Life has come full circle for Christine McMenimen. She began her educational journey as a student in the Wilmington school system and she has come back as the new principal of the Wilmington Middle School. It's been a journey that has allowed her to see the school system from both sides of the desk.

McMenimen attended Wilmington schools from elementary to high school. "I started my education at the Shawsheen Elementary School, graduated to the West Intermediate, and moved to Wilmington High School," said McMenimen. Along the way, she was influenced by many of her teachers. "Some of my memorable teachers were Ms. Barry from first grade, Ms. St. Clair in the sixth grade and Ms. Nowak from seventh grade. They left lifelong impressions on me," offered McMenimen.

Her decision to apply to become the principal of the Wilmington Middle School

came after many years of educational training beginning at age 14. McMenimen stated: "I started my educational work at age 14 when I was a classroom assistant for the HeadStart program at the Shawsheen Elementary School. I received my undergraduate degree from Boston College in Romance Languages and earned my graduate degree from Salem

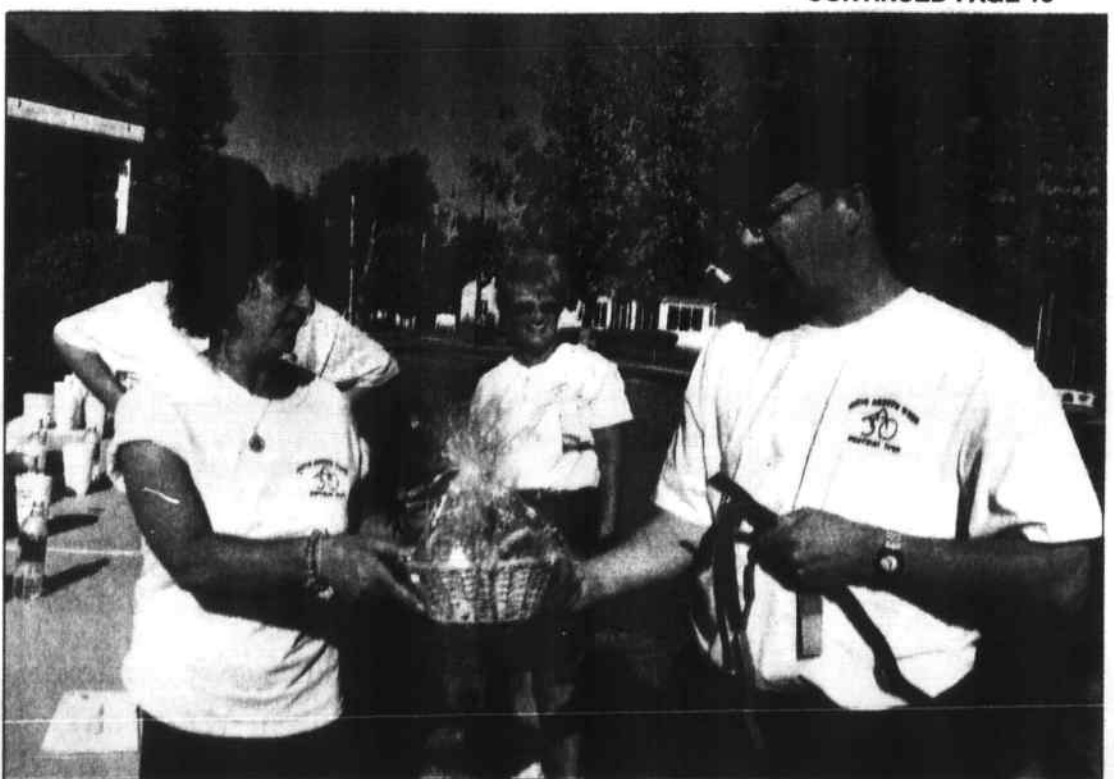
State in School Administration. My first job as a classroom teacher was in 1988 at the Stoneham Middle School as a Spanish teacher. Eventually, I was given the opportunity to be the principal of the Stoneham Middle School."

McMenimen changed school systems, but wanted to stay at the middle school grade levels. "I wouldn't want to work any-

where, but a middle school," claimed McMenimen. "I wanted to work in a very good school system and I know Wilmington has a great reputation for its schools. The school is great and all the teachers and students work hard. My biggest adjustment has been the starting times and getting to know all the names of the

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Justin O'Neil's cousin, Brian Anderson, won an iPod in the raffle held at the Justin O'Neil fundraiser on Sunday, September 23, 2007. Seen here he received his iPod from Lidya Azevedo while his mom Donna Anderson looked on.

Denise Blair photo

Local teacher tours Europe with BSO

Siskavich brings experience back to the classroom

By **JULIE FENNELL**

WILMINGTON - West Intermediate School Music Teacher Blake Siskavich recently returned from a seven city European concert tour with the Boston Symphony Orchestra. As a tenor with the 300 member Tanglewood Chorus, he was one of 130 cho-

rus members personally invited to perform in Lucerne, Hamburg, Essen, Dusseldorf, Berlin, Paris and London.

"I was absolutely ecstatic when I received the invitation. It was the opportunity of a lifetime," said Siskavich. "I was invited last spring and the tour started at the end of August

and ran through the first two weeks of this school year. I asked Superintendent Joanne Benton for permission to tour and she was extremely supportive. She felt that it was a really good opportunity for a teacher to experience."

Siskavich continued, "It's a

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Water rates adjusted

Town moves to block rate structure

By **JULIE FENNELL**

WILMINGTON - The Water & Sewer Commission voted this week to approve a block rate structure for water billing. The new rate structure takes effect immediately and will be reflected in the fourth quarter billing on November 1st.

The new rates are as follows (based on 100 cubic feet per quarter; 10 = 1,000 cubic feet):

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| 0 - 10: | \$3.17 |
| 10 - 20: | \$3.51 |
| 20 - 30: | \$4.22 |
| 30+: | \$5.64 |

Previously, residents were charged the rate of \$3.92

regardless of consumption levels. Based on preliminary audits, it is expected that a large percentage of the 7,252 water accounts in town will

experience a reduction in their annual water costs.

"People who use smaller amounts of water will end up

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Aine O'Doherty had the opportunity to sign her name right next to Thomas Jefferson on the Declaration of Independence at the Harvest Festival on Sunday, September 23, 2007. Stephanie Cameron and Caitriona O'Doherty waited patiently to put their John Hancock down as well. Denise Blair photo

Could your business use a boost?

BNI Route 62 Business Partners could be your ticket to success

By **MARCY RAGUCCI**

WILMINGTON - The world's largest business networking organization, BNI (Business Network International) maintains a vibrant presence in Wilmington with its local chapter, "BNI Route 62 Business Partners." BNI offers its members a unique opportunity to share ideas, contacts and, most importantly, revenue generating business referrals.

The Wilmington chapter of BNI was launched in May of

1995 and now has 18 members. In order to maximize referral potential for each member, BNI allows only one person from any given profession to join a chapter.

Current BNI Route 62 Business Partners President, Michael Giacalone, a CPA, joined BNI about seven years ago.

"I found out about this organization from a friend," Giacalone said. "I attended

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West Nile discovered in neighboring community

Don't get bugged

By **JULIE FENNELL**

WILMINGTON - Fall is in the air, bringing with it those pesky mosquitoes. It's the time of year when the state's Board of Health advises residents to cover up and take precautions against mosquito borne viruses that swarm into our area each autumn.

Despite a bird in North Reading testing positive for West Nile Virus last month, both Tewksbury and Wilmington have fared better this season. Central Massachusetts Mosquito Control (CMMP) oversees mosquito pool testing for both com-

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50th anniversary of the Olde Redding Faire

This year marks the 50th anniversary of the Olde Redding Faire.

Friday evening, September 28th and Saturday, September 29th, come experience one of New England's oldest Annual Church Fairs.

Proceeds from this Faire may support many local and national organizations such as the Reading Food Pantry, Emmaus House in Lawrence, Pine Street Inn, Habitat for Humanity, to name a few.

At the faire you'll find bargains and treasures including:

White elephant merchandise, jewelry, hand knitted items, book shop and estate sale

Great food including: baked goods, cookie kitchen, home made breads, pies, fudge, fresh produce, cider, lobster rolls

Enjoy the all you can eat

Friday evening Roast Beef dinner for only \$9 per person reservations can be made by calling 781 944-0533

Fun for all ages: games, toys, midway, crafts

A special appearance by Miss Massachusetts USA, Despina Delios and Miss Massachusetts Teen USA Katie McNiff who will be appearing as Princess Jasmine and Cinderella.

Special Concert celebrating 50 years of the Faire featuring the Reading Civic Concert Band.

And much much more!!

The Faire is located at the First Congregational Church in Reading, 25 Woburn Street, Reading. Friday, September 28, 5 - 9 p.m. Saturday, September 29, 10 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.

More information: www.churchofreading.org

WILMINGTON - October 12-14, 2007- The Crafters are coming! The Crafters are back in a big way for the eighth annual Fall Castleberry Faire being held at the Shriner's Auditorium in Wilmington on Friday, October 12, Saturday, October 13 and Sunday, October 14, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily.

Over 150 Professional Craftsmen and women from throughout the Northeast will display and sell their American Made works including Pottery, Scarves, Tapestry, Fine Jewelry, Quilts, Appliques, Ceramics, Watercolors, Candles, Hair Accessories, Hats, Sports Collage, Fiber Art, Aromatherapy, Photography, Turned Wood, Soft Sculpture, Leather, Oil Paintings, Wooden Toys, Teapots, Stained Glass, Calligraphy, Fleece, Scrapbooking, Knits, Poetry, Dolls, Foot Stools, Slate, Porcelain, Country Woodcrafts, Primitive and Folk Art, Silk & Dried Floral Arrangements, Collectible Bears, Garden Stakes, Heat Packs, Bird Houses, Doll Clothes, Wearable Art, Flags, Pillow Quilts, Tile Numbers, Ornaments, Frames, Doll Clothes and more.

Come and sample the fantastic array of culinary delights

such as herbal dips, jams, jellies, bread mixes, gourmet coffees, pastry, spreads, maple, mustards and oils and much more!

Adult admission is \$7.00 and children 14 and under are admitted free. Plentiful free parking and shuttle busses.

Live musical entertainment and craft demonstrations going on throughout each day.

The Faire is held indoor rain or shine.

Directions: From Route 93 take Exit 39 to Shriner's Auditorium, 99 Fordham Road, Wilmington, MA.

For more information call 603-332-2616 or print a discount admission coupon at www.castleberryfares.com October 12, 13, 14, 2007

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Josh Convey, Amanda Hanson and Comedian Tom Dunham watched a card trick performed by Johnny Pizzi who was the host of the Lion's Comedy night on Saturday night. (photo by Maureen Lamoureux - www.shootingstarspix.com)

Free Vocal Workshops

There will be a free vocal workshop for young women between 16 and 25 years old. The Merrimack Valley Chorus, a chapter of Sweet Adelines International is offering a workshop in 4 part a cappella singing for women on Saturday, October 27 from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. at the Marshall Middle School in Billerica, MA. the workshop culminates in a performance that evening in MVC's annual show. All mate-

rials and instruction are free of charge.

For information or to register and receive materials call: 1-800-928-6151, or email: rebe-monk@comcast.net.

Representative Miceli backs Tsongas' Plan for Veterans

Tsongas receives prominent veterans endorsements

TEWKSBURY - Niki Tsongas this week earned the support of Veterans and Military Families for Progress, a national non-partisan grassroots organization dedicated to working for veterans, military service members and their families. At an event in Methuen to show their support for Tsongas, VMFP was joined by a number of local veterans including Congressional Gold Medal of Honor recipient Luther McIlwain of Methuen, as well as Gold Star families and members of Citizens for Civic Courage, who endorsed Tsongas last month. Representative Jim Miceli, one of the Democratic candidates in the Primary, also announced his support of Tsongas' plan to honor our veterans' commitment.

"Niki will roll up her sleeves and solve the problems that veterans in the Fifth District face," said Miceli. "Not only through bills and policy changes, but one-on-one, helping those veterans that come to her with problems."

During the primary campaign, Tsongas met with veterans from World War II, the Korean War, the Vietnam War, and the Gulf War as well as servicemen and women who have recently returned and the parents of those currently serving overseas. Tsongas also visited veterans at clinics in Lowell and Haverhill, met with a

Military Family Support Group in Concord, and visited Walter Reed Army Medical Center in Washington, D.C. Tsongas has said from the start of her campaign that veterans' care will be a top priority if she's elected to Congress.

"Niki Tsongas' strong commitment to the issues that are critical to veterans, active serving members and their families is unsurpassed," said Bill Dooling, Vice President of Veterans and Military Families for Progress and a Massachusetts resident. "We feel veterans, active duty, military families, and in fact, all people of the Fifth District will be well-served with Niki Tsongas as their Congresswoman by ensuring America remains strong in national defense and in fighting terrorism. Niki's personal experience has also given her a unique knowledge and understanding of the service and sacrifice that our armed forces members and their families experience while in service to America. Her service to our country cannot be questioned."

"There are more than 450,000 veterans in Massachusetts, and they deserve the best care this country has to offer," said Tsongas. "As the daughter of an Air Force colonel whose childhood and teenage years were spent moving from one military base to another, I know how important it is to treat our men and women in uniform with respect and care. I am deeply gratified to have the support of the Veterans and Military Families for Progress because this group is made of, by and for veterans, service members and their families. If elected, I look forward to the opportunity to work with them to represent the interests of those who have served on our behalf, and I thank them for this great honor."

"Throughout this campaign, I

have made a point to hear from veterans, returning soldiers as well as the parents of our servicemen and women currently serving overseas," Tsongas added. "There is a long-term cost of war and if our young men and women are willing to put their lives on the line to fight for us, providing them with the care they need when they return and into the future is the least we can do. This is a moral obligation we bear as a nation."

Tsongas noted that if elected, she would set up a Veterans Advisory Committee with local veterans, representatives of their families, as well as those providing veterans with key services so that in Congress, she is continually up to speed on the issues and priorities of veterans from the Fifth District.

Other initial members who will serve on the Veterans Advisory Committee include, founding members of Citizens for Civic Courage, Sam Poulten, Gold Star parents Brian and Alma Hart, and Faye Morrison whose daughter served in Iraq; John Ratka, Executive Director of the Veterans Northeast Outreach Center; Gold Star parents from Concord Kathleen and Jake Zagata; Veteran Michael Blatus from Dracut; and Veteran Richard Bowen from Andover. The Committee is still being formed but will have representation across the District.

"The first woman to represent Massachusetts in the U.S. House of Representatives, Edith Nourse Rogers, was known as a powerful advocate for veterans and was one of the principle authors of the GI Bill. I would be proud to serve the Fifth Congressional District guided by her great legacy," Tsongas concluded.

In addition to receiving the endorsement, Tsongas elaborated on the veterans' plan that she released during the primary campaign. Tsongas' plan reflects the many meetings she has had with individual veterans and veterans groups, and responds to their concerns about the current state of veterans' care. Tsongas said she wanted to go to Congress to push for additional health and family services for veterans, returning troops and their families. The Tsongas Plan

includes:

Making Veterans Funding Mandatory. Tsongas believes that adequate funding for veterans health care should be mandatory spending in the federal budget and not subject to political tinkering. Tsongas will go to Congress to roll back the cuts made to veterans' health care by Republicans over the last 12 years. House Democrats passed a Veterans Appropriations bill this year that was the highest single increase in spending in the 77-year history of the VA. Tsongas believes this is a good start, but that more can and must be done.

Clearing VA Backlog. The VA's own statistics show that there is a backlog of 400,000 applications and appeals for benefits, and that the average waiting time for a benefits claim is about six months. Many veterans must wait even longer to get this basic service. Tsongas has called this disgraceful and disrespectful, and called for funding to clear this backlog, and prevent such delays in the future. With our brave men and women serving extended tours in Iraq and Afghanistan, the VA will be flooded with new cases in the coming years, and the VA must be prepared to deliver care that is timely and at the highest quality.

Enacting Full Concurrent Receipt. Niki Tsongas believes that all veterans should get the benefits they have earned, and supports full concurrent receipt. Until 2004, disabled veterans were penalized monetarily for their injury; the law required that military retired pay be reduced dollar-for-dollar by the amount of any VA disability compensation received. Congress has made a step in the right direction by extending concurrent receipt to some veterans, but Tsongas supports extending this common-sense solution to all veterans.

Creating Family Service Liaison Officers. Tsongas would support the creation of liaisons through the Department of Defense to assist troops, Guard and Reserves and their families before, during and after deployment. Liaison officers would help guide troops and their families through the many dif-

ferent military assistance programs available and supplement the services of local Veterans' Agents and others.

Providing Mandatory Mental Health Services for returning troops. Tsongas has called for screening all returning troops for mental health issues including Post Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD) with presumption of need for services. Veteran support groups have raised concerns about Post Employment Health Assessment screenings as inadequate to determine mental health care needs due to capacity and confidentiality issues. A study by the University of California at San Francisco indicated that nearly one-third of returning veterans have mental health issues.

Preserve Jobs of National Guard and Reservists. Tsongas would provide tax credits for small businesses to compensate for employees in active service. Multiple tours of duty are difficult for both employees and employers. Employers would be rewarded for retaining jobs of troops on assignment and not penalized for doing so.

Expand Job Training and Placement Services. Tsongas believes that military, National Guard and Reserve veterans need immediate and comprehensive training, job skill and small business assistance. Higher education assistance programs must be attuned to both younger and older veterans. Furthermore, opportunities and programs that place veterans in law enforcement and homeland security positions should be expanded. Tsongas supports extending tax benefits for employers that hire Iraq and Afghanistan war veterans.

Tsongas has said that, if elected, she would request a seat on the House Armed Services Committee and hire a full time veterans' staff member to help build working partnerships throughout the Fifth District. This includes working with local veterans, veterans' facilities, veterans' agents and community organizations. Tsongas also intends to involve civic, fraternal groups and businesses to help make connections that will provide voluntary services for veterans and their families.

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by Joyce Brisbois



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From: The Editors Desk

by Stephen P. Bjork

Board takes control

The ink is not quite dry on Wilmington's new contract with Town Counsel Paul DeRensis, but the Board should be commended. For the first time since 2003, each and every member of the Board was interested in getting the best deal for the town.

DeRensis was first appointed as Wilmington's Town Counsel in May of 2003, at which time he accepted a fixed fee contract paying \$132,800 per year. Just five months later, he threatened to walk away if the town did not agree to abandon its practice of paying a fixed fee for legal services in favor of a revised contract. According to DeRensis, his firm had lost in excess of \$100,000 as a result of the fixed fee arrangement. The new contract, authored by DeRensis, consisted of a reduced annual retainer fee of \$54,000 for the town's day-to-day legal services, plus hourly billing for specialized legal services. So-called specialized legal services would be billed at \$165 hourly, and the contract stipulated no cap on billable hours. The Board of Selectmen - made up at the time of Michael McCoy, Raymond Lepore, Robert Palmer, Suzanne Sullivan, and Frank West - caved to the threat without so much a counter offer. In fact, all discussions pertaining to the change of contracts was done in executive session - only the vote to accept the contract was done in open session. Palmer was alone in voting against the new contract.

In fiscal year 2005, the town spent nearly \$250,000 for legal services. In 2007, the town expended roughly \$260,000 for legal services.

Though the concept of returning to a fixed fee agreement was floated during negotiation sessions in 2005 and 2006, the majority of the Board dismissed the concept as archaic and unrealistic. More than one Board member appeared to be more concerned with the pockets of DeRensis' than those of the taxpayers.

The Town Crier cannot find fault with DeRensis for seeking as much compensation for his valuable efforts as possible; that's business. It is his job to get as much for his firm as is possible.

Likewise, perhaps to the surprise of one or two former selectmen, it is the Board's job to expend as little of the taxpayers' money as possible for the best legal service available.

That is what negotiation is all about. DeRensis is supposed to come to the table claiming that his firm is losing money in the deal. The Selectmen, in turn, should be telling DeRensis how much it can afford to pay. It should not, as it has in recent years, roll over without a peep and open its checkbook.

The makeup of the Board has changed significantly since 2003. Palmer retired, while West and Sullivan have been voted out. The Board of Selectmen in September of 2007 consists of Michael McCoy, Raymond Lepore, Michael Newhouse, Charles Fiore, and Lou Cimaglia.

It was obvious to anyone watching from the outside that the majority of the Board was interested in bringing legal costs under wrap this year. Perhaps that is why, for the first time since December 2003, DeRensis expressed a tentative willingness to return to a fixed fee contract. Though DeRensis was looking for \$238,000 per year, and the Board initially tossed around a figure of \$230,000 per year, the two came to agreement at \$250,000.

While \$250,000 is a far cry from \$132,800, it is an indication that Board of Selectmen is finally running the show. The Board was not, as some have accused, interested in making the job economically unfeasible for DeRensis. The Board stood firm and did not give everything that was asked of it. And, lo and behold, the town is still being represented by Paul DeRensis and the law firm of Deutsch Williams.



Letters to the editor

The O'Neil Family thanks the community

Dear Editor,
We would like to take this opportunity to express our sincere gratitude for the community's continued support of the Justin Andrew O'Neil walk/run. It is overwhelming to see how many people still come out to remember and celebrate Justin's life. Without the help and support of all of you this event could not take

place and we certainly would not be as successful in raising the enormous amount that we do to award several scholarships to so many deserving Wilmington students each year. There are no words that can express how much your time and generosity means to us.

Joe, Cheri, Evan and
Zachary O'Neil
Wilmington

Trash fee avoided

Dear Editor:
I want to publicly acknowledge the extraordinary effort and support of our state delegation, especially Representative Miceli and Senator Tucker, in attaining an overwhelming vote of support in both legislative chambers for Tewksbury's teacher salary deferral bill. Without the work of Representative Miceli, who shepherded the bill throughout the process and Senator Tucker who convinced her colleagues to give unanimous support to the override of Governor Patrick's veto, we would not have achieved our budget plan for fiscal year 2008. This successful conclusion allows the town to fulfill the budget plan enacted at town meeting in June and allows the town to avoid the trash fee that was dis-

cussed as our "fallback" plan. More importantly, it ensures that our community, through the Financial Task Force, gains the time necessary to put a comprehensive and well-thought out plan together for the future. This is all good news for Tewksbury!

Thanks also should publicly be offered to Mr. Norman Boudreau and Mr. Jay Kelley, members of our task force, for reprising the concept of teacher salary deferral during the critical stages of our annual budget process. We are fortunate to have their expertise as we continue our efforts to manage our town's financial affairs.

Gratefully,
Todd R. Johnson
Selectman
Tewksbury



The Family Therapist

by Anthony Ferrara

Child Custody

If you have children, the marriage commitment doesn't end with divorce. Having children means a never-ending involvement. Most couples are under the impression that if the marriage doesn't work out, you separate. However, when you have children, complete severing is impossible. Mothers and fathers have to be in touch with each other to raise their children well. Resentment, verbal abuse, and even hatred cannot stop the necessary issues of raising children. Getting away from each other is almost impossible, unless you become a deadbeat dad or mom.

There should be greater emphasis on the role of parenting during the marriage ceremony. The marriage can dissolve, but parenting is there forever. Dislike for each other breaks the bond of love and togetherness for parents, but love is never ending for children.

When there is a great dislike between parents, they can experience a hell on earth. A battle for custody of the children is never ending. First of all, who deserves to get them? Who will get them for the longest period? Then who will teach them the ways of life? Both parents could have different beliefs about what is proper. In the meantime many parents take every opportunity to condemn

the other parent's beliefs. If one parent believes in one set of rules and restrictions that contradicts the other parent, it can only bring confusion to the children. Children can adjust to different rules in each parent's house. One parent bad-mouthing the other parent makes the situation much more difficult. Is it any wonder children become confused and lack a sense of directions? This can take away self-esteem. Which parent is right and whom do the children emulate as a role model? If you have failed your marriage don't fail your children.

It can be hard to accept when your ex partner gets partial custody of your children. If so, allow yourself to work with this difficult situation, for the sake of the children's mental welfare, and mental health.

When your ex-partner gets custody of your child, your world can be turned up side down. Is it the right parent? Will the child benefit more by this choice? These are questions that can haunt the other parent.

If the custodial parent is irresponsible or non-caring, the child's life is in jeopardy. If the mother or dad love the child and will try their best, be thankful. They are the parents that are God's gift to children. They never give up on their

children. This love for their children helps to subdue their anger toward their ex-spouse. This allows a better opportunity to help resolve the situation. Your ex partner may think differently, but your love and good intent will become more convincing. Sincere talks or seeing a counselor could be very helpful.

Sadly, some parents have no right to have children. Many find their solution by taking off. I was told about such a mother. This woman no longer wanted the frustrations and responsibility of her children. She packed her belongings and took off for California. Since she left, her son has been acting out, getting into trouble, and has become depressed. These are some of the dangers that can result from a person abandoning their child.

This child's father is very confused in what he should do. The grandparents of this child are willing to take the boy into their home. They live in a different state that would separate the boy from his father. I was asked if this was a good idea? I felt it could be very harmful. The child could perceive this as the abandonment of the other parent. There is no greater loss than both parents leaving you.

In the meantime, if the child stays with father there is a lot of work to be done. Even though

it's frustrating, dad must learn to relate differently with his boy. If his approach were different, chances are dad would be having fewer problems. Before dealing with some of these problems the child has to be relieved of his extreme stress. I find giving him a feeling of self worth can help the pressure. If the child has any abilities they should be exposed to friends and relatives. Every opportunity should be given to show his strengths rather than his weaknesses. It could be his physical strength, academics, game skills, sports ability, or cooking. Use whatever is available.

Try to replace the mother image with grandmothers and aunts. While giving all this concern, he must repay his parents by showing respect. Be loving but be strong when dealing with punishments. Don't over-punish but be consistent. Children resent weakness (especially from dad.) They need your strength and sensitivity during this traumatic time.

"I love you." cannot be repeated enough times, even when punishment is necessary. Hopefully the love for your children will help overcome the injustice you may feel over your ex-partner.

Questions, comments e-mail
Tony@yourtowncrier.com



Letters to the editor

Mikey's going to be just fine

Dear Editor,
This is a long overdue letter of appreciation for the town of Wilmington. This past June 8th, my son, Michael Murphy, had an "almost" fatal accident. Mikey was across the street at his best friends' house, Jimmy & Tommy Lawrenson. The Lawrenson's had just recently opened up their pool for the summer. Mikey was all excited to go swimming, as he does every summer, over there. Since the Lawrenson's enforce very strict pool rules and have constant supervision over their children, of course I had no hesitation of letting Mikey go over and have his usual fun day with his buddies.

What happened next still sends shivers up my spine every time I think about it. As Mikey was exiting the pool to come out and dry off, he remembers standing at the top of the ladder and suddenly feeling dizzy. After that, he doesn't remember much except for what people have told him and the brief recollections that were slowly coming back to him.

Mikey had fallen from the top of the ladder, straight down with his head smashing into the foot bucket. His neck twisted while his body formed into an awkward and frightful position. Since my neighbor, Jerry Lawrenson, was about 10 feet away from the pool and witnessed the accident as it was happening, he was right there when Mikey landed. After quickly evaluating Mikey and knowing that he wasn't breathing, Jerry yelled to his wife, Beth, to call 911. He knew then he had to perform CPR. As Jerry was saving my son's life, Beth told her brother Paul (who was visiting) to run to my front door to get me.

The severe pounding on my

front door eventually became the same severe pounding in my heart, when Paul uttered those unforgettable words to me. "Mikey fell, Mikey fell!!! He twisted his neck and Jerry is doing CPR!!!!"

Having five children, and being a mother for almost 22 years now, I've definitely had my share of some scary incidents with my children, but NEVER, EVER, did I expect, or ever envisage the word 'CPR' regarding one of my children.

It was unthinkable. When that term was said to me as I was heading over to the Lawrenson's yard, I stopped, froze in my footsteps, and just started screaming. I felt like I was in a movie where everything around the distraught actor is spinning uncontrollably. It finally made sense why I was staring at fire trucks, ambulances, and police cars parked in front of the Lawrenson's, while more of them were still approaching as I stood there in shock. This wasn't just a bad fall out of a tree, which was one of my quick thoughts when I was told Mikey fell. CPR!!!! I heard it over and over in my head. I truly thought my son was dead.

When Beth came running, saying that Jerry got Mikey breathing, it was... well ... indescribable.

To this day I have never been able to truly describe what it felt like to think that I'd lost a child. Nevermind, within minutes, to find out he's okay. It has given me lots of empathy for families who have actually lost their children, and the curiosity of how they manage to deal with it. I don't think I could have.

With all that said, I want to express my thanks and forever gratefulness to all the people

who were there for me and my son. The most thanks obviously goes to my neighbor, Jerry, for saving my son's life. The Wilmington Fire and Police Department for arriving on the scene in outstanding time to help my son, while treating him with kindness and respect. The EMT's for their constant care and assurance to Mikey, who was petrified in the ambulance (and for calming me down too!!!). Between all these departments, it is very plain to see that they take their job on a professional level, but also on a personal level. Even with all the chaos going on, I witnessed grown men taking the situation to heart. I am sure that when their job is done and their adrenaline is back to normal, these men and women think about their children and loved ones at home. I praise their ability to have the jobs they do. Being fairly new to this town, I was extremely impressed with the teamwork and effort the Town's Departments performed.

I want to thank my neighbors, all of whom were unbelievable in showing their support, concern, and caring for my whole family, during and after, this whole incident. My little neighbor, Nicole Mede, who ran and got her Mom for me as I was standing there screaming in fear. She later made a gigantic

"get well" card for Mikey, which all the kids in the neighborhood signed, and all the adults too. All the neighbors who came by when Mikey was out of the hospital to express their concern and give well wishes. The boy Nathan, from around the corner who brought over warm homemade chocolate chip cookies, along with a card. Athena Oullette who took all the neighborhood kids to the event that was going on at the Common, so they could have some fun and somewhat relieve the trauma and worry that they had just experienced. Every single person that we knew and people that we didn't know, who would stop by with their kind words.

It is absolutely wonderful to live in a great neighborhood and such a wonderful community!!!

After several appointments with Mikey's pediatrician, trips to Children's Hospital, and numerous tests performed on him, because of the brief dizzy spells he was experiencing days before and after his fall, we're glad to report that Mikey is going to be just fine.

Thanks to the town of Wilmington for all your support and kindness.

Cynthia Murphy
Wilmington

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Let's Hear it!! Your Two Cents...

Just some hypothetical questions...

If the hypothetical authorities, of a hypothetical Business or Club, in a hypothetical town such as Tewksbury or Wilmington, let's say, should hypothetically receive internal reports of significant money being hypothetically either lost or stolen - but DEFINITELY missing - and the hypothetical authorities of said hypothetical Business or Club do nothing to investigate and remedy that hypothetical situation, doesn't that, in effect, make those hypothetical authorities of said hypothetical Business or Club, "accomplices" and hypothetically make them guilty of condoning, aiding and abetting the hypothetical error-maker or thief, especially when there has been a hypothetically repeating pattern of such incidents (three hypothetically known in very recent months)? At bare minimum, doesn't that hypothetically encourage the continuation of the hypothetical errors or wrong-doings?

Just some hypothetical questions and nothing to worry about, I'm hypothetically sure of it.

Wilmington

Letters to the editor

Never jumped on sub-prime bandwagon

Dear Editor:

Reading Co-operative Bank was never tempted to jump on the sub-prime bandwagon. We have never offered exotic adjustable rate mortgages, loans with prepayment penalties, no-money down loans, or piggyback mortgages. Our Products may be simple; but they are also easy to understand.

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Since Reading Co-operative Bank writes all of its own loans and keeps them on its own balance sheet, it has a vested interest in making sure that each and every borrower has the ability to repay the loan that they receive.

Furthermore, each Co-operative Bank Loan Officer is paid a salary to perform their job. Their motivation is to find the best product that best meets the customer's needs and budget. They are not motivated by what product will pay the biggest commission check.

Reading Co-operative Bank's market share of the mortgage

market fell in the past few years as the predatory lenders and the aggressive mortgage brokers pitched their exotic products. Now, these same brokers are having difficulty funding their loans and are fighting to stay in business.

Reading Co-operative Bank has seen resurgence in interest in this community bank and its mortgage loans. Thank you to our faithful customers and welcome back to any others that we can assist at this time.

Do loans go bad at community banks - yes, unfortunately that does happen, however, with a local lender, there is someone with whom you can discuss your personal financial situation before matters get out of hand.

Although public perception exists that mortgage funds, (especially for jumbo mortgages) are drying up for borrowers - that is not the case at Reading Co-operative Bank. We are ready and have money to lend to any qualified borrower that is interested in buying or refinancing their home in our communities.

Julieann M. Thurlow

President & CEO,

Reading Co-operative Bank

A successful Harvest Festival

Dear Editor,

On Sunday, September 23, 2007, the Friends of Harnden Tavern held their annual Harvest Festival on the grounds of the Town Museum at the Harnden Tavern. On a beautiful, sunny fall day, visitors to the Festival were able to participate in colonial crafts such as candle making, outdoor cooking and fabric printing. A special exhibit of artifacts from Breakheart Reservation in Wakefield was on display, with the President of Breakheart Reservation, Ed Murray, on hand to explain the pieces. Many people lined up to sign their own copy of the Declaration of Independence with a quill pen. The Harnden Tavern was open for touring, as was the adjacent Carriage House with its agricultural tool exhibit. Strollers were able to enjoy the Wilmington Garden Club's herb garden and the yard of the Tavern.

I would like to thank the Friends of Harnden Tavern, led by Jim and Joyce Murray, for

organizing this wonderful event. I would also like to thank the Kingston family who were on hand to demonstrate candle making and other aspects of colonial life; the Friends of Breakheart Reservation for the loan of their exhibit; the Berghaus family for assistance of all sorts, including guiding visitors at the tool exhibit; the Wilmington Company of Minutemen for lending a helping hand; and the Wilmington Historical Commission for their constant support, and especially member Julie Fennell for assisting with tours of the Tavern throughout the afternoon. Our visitors appeared to have a lot of fun, and they learned something in the process. I look forward to doing it again next year!

Terry McDermott

Curator

Wilmington Town Museum

at the

Col. Joshua Harnden Tavern,

c.1770

Wilmington

Safety & quality of life at stake

To the Editor:

I want to take this opportunity to express my appreciation and thanks to Attorney General Martha Coakley for appealing the proposed Wilmington/Woburn Transrail Federal decision. I would also like to thank Wilmington State Representative Jim Miceli and Kathy Barry of The Concerned Citizen Network of Wilmington for their concern and action during their attendance in Washington, DC for this hearing process.

As a resident, and a Ward Alderman of the City of Woburn, I appreciate how important their voices are to

the residents of South Wilmington and to our residents of North Woburn and the City of Woburn as a whole.

If this Transrail Project is approved and our appeal is denied, the adverse impact will be profound. Severe traffic congestion will be caused as a result of hundreds of trucks weekly transporting solid waste through our community. This project will adversely affect the health, safety and quality of life of our residents.

I, as all Woburn residents should do, applaud Attorney General Martha Coakley for her appeal on our behalf; State Representative James Miceli and Kathy Barry for their attendance in Washington, DC to voice their concerns and opposition on behalf of their residents and ours.

Sincerely,
James J. Dwyer
Ward 4 Alderman
Woburn

Salem Street: A public safety issue

(editor's note: the following letter was written to Thomas G. Gatzunis, Commissioner of Public Safety for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. It is being published here at the request of the author.)

Dear Mr. Gatzunis,

There is a real public safety issue located on Salem St. in Wilmington, Massachusetts. When they painted the yellow lines in the middle of the street they made the west bound lane wider than the east bound lane. I have listed all the measurements further in this letter. The street was repaved this past summer and the contractor did a poor job. Specifically, the yellow lines were crooked and smeared, the manhole covers were not brought up to the surface of the street, and the west bound lane was wider

street since I've lived here. A policeman from the Wilmington Police Department almost lost his life in an auto accident on this street. He was out of work and in rehab for a long time. I contacted the Assistant Town Manager, Jeffrey Hall and told him not to pay the contractor. He in turn contacted the Public Works Superintendent, Donald Onusseit. I talked to Donald Onusseit on the phone and he informed me it was not something that he would have the contractor redo. He just tried to pacify me and did nothing. I then called the Town Manager, Michael Cairra, he never returned my call. After I was insistent about talking to him, he returned my call and told me he agreed with his DPW Superintendent Donald Onusseit that nothing should

| Salem Street Address: | West Bound Lane: | East Bound Lane |
|------------------------------|------------------|-----------------|
| 134: In front of storm drain | 126 inches | 110 inches |
| 130: In front of mail box | 138 inches | 118 inches |
| 99: In front of mail box | 129 inches | 106 inches |
| 82: In front of mail box | 138 inches | 120 inches |
| 80-A: In front of mail box | 140 inches | 126 inches |
| 80: In front of mail box | 131 inches | 113 inches |

than the east bound lane. Salem Street is a very narrow winding two lane street. There have been two deaths on this

be done. I would appreciate it if you would make Salem Street a safer street to drive on.

Measurements made on Salem Street were made from the beginning of the white line on the side of the road to the beginning of the double yellow line. (driving area) Addressed on Salem Street are listed where I took the measurements.

See attached chart. As you can see the east bound lane is an average of 18.17 inches narrower than the west bound lane. This is a real safety hazard. Please advise me as to what you intend to do.

Sincerely yours,
Jerry DeJongh

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Boys who are members Webelos II from Pack 361 Wilmington participated in the Arrow of Light weekend at the Lone Tree Scout Camp in Kingston, NH. The Arrow of Light weekend is an important step towards becoming a Boy Scout. The boys in the den will cross over to Boy Scouts in January 2008.

The boys won the scavenger hunt by finding more than 40 items. They also participated in various tasks to achieve their Arrow of Light, including knot tying, first aid, physical tasks, sports, and camping activities. Front Row: Daniel Bell, Chris Maienza, Ben Rohleder, Scotty Robinson, Matt Gewlas, Bobby Bryant, George Hooper, Jake Wilson, Jonathan MacKinnon and Leaders George Hooper and Bob Bryant. Not pictured is Mike Dancziewicz. Also in the Webelos, but unable to attend are Chris Romano, Alex Ripianza and Danny Valerie. courtesy photo

Support the TMHS National Honor Society

TEWKSBURY - The Tewksbury Memorial High School National Honor Society will be holding a fundraising car wash at Jim Boudreau's Auto Center, located at 2184 Main Street, from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 29th. All proceeds, which will be in

the form of donations, will benefit the TMHS National Honor Society and its upcoming events. Entertainment books containing coupons to many Boston and Southern New Hampshire-area establishments will be sold for \$25 at the car wash.

Sara Schiano to marry T.J. Flynn

Bart and Mildred Schiano of Monroe, N.Y. are happy to announce the engagement of their daughter Sara to Wilmington native T.J. Flynn. Sara graduated from Monroe-Woodbury High School in Central Valley, N.Y. in 2000 and then went on to obtain a B.A. in Economics and B.S. in Communications from Boston University. Sara is now employed as an Account Executive at Hachette

Filipacchi Media. The groom, T.J. Flynn, son of Wilmington residents Timothy and Dorothy Flynn, graduated from Wilmington High School in 1999. T.J. went on to Northeastern University graduating with a B.S. in Criminal Justice. He is now employed as a Loss Prevention Manager at Gap, Inc. The wedding is planned for 2008 at the Rockleigh Country Club in Rockleigh, N.J.

Communication Service will enhance emergency outreach

Joanne Benton, Superintendent of Schools in Wilmington announced that the district has selected the Connect-ED service from The NTI Group, Inc. (NTI) to provide school principals and administrators the ability to reach all parents in the district, within minutes, through a single phone call. Wilmington principals and administrators can use the Connect-ED service to periodically and personally communicate with parents on issues such as student attendance, state testing, parent-teacher meetings, and in the event of a district or school emergency.

The Connect-ED service is an Internet-based school-to-parent communication service that enables school administrators to schedule, send and track personalized messages to thousands of staff and parents in just minutes, ensuring they all receive the same message quickly. The District can also create an unlimited number of groups and subgroups for individual classes, activities, bus routes, sports teams, etc. and send messages to only the specified groups.

"Effective communication with parents has a direct impact on the academic success of a student. There is too much information that does not make it from the school into the child's backpack and home to

the parents," said Joanne Benton, Wilmington Superintendent. "With the Connect-ED service, we now have the right tool to help us close the backpack gap and help parents stay engaged."

Superintendent Benton plans to launch the first district-wide message on Monday, October 1st at 7:30 p.m. in order to test out the system. Parents who do not receive a call on Monday evening should contact their child's school to let the office know what phone number they can be reached at.

Users of the Connect-ED service can send a message in any language and at up to six phone numbers (home phone, cell phone, office phone, etc.) to each student or staff member. To ensure that a school knows how many and which numbers were reached, results of outgoing messages are reported back to school principals and administrators immediately upon availability.

"The best way to keep parents engaged in their children's education is through communication, and the Connect-ED service makes it easy," said Robin Richards, NTI's CEO. "With the Connect-ED service, administrators have a powerful tool for mass communication without having to purchase new computers, software and telephone lines."

Dewing Elementary School

'Take Pride In Your School' Day

TEWKSBURY - The Loella F. Dewing Elementary School Parent Advisory Council (PAC) in Tewksbury is holding a "Take Pride In Your School" Day on Sunday, September 30, 2007, from 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.. This family-centered event is aimed at improving the landscape around the school. Families are encouraged to bring their energy and tools. Gloves, pruning shears, lawn bags, rakes, shovels and wheel barrows are all

needed. Families who can't attend can still help by donating fall perennials, bulbs, and seasonal decorations. This is a drop-in event, and the school will benefit from any time you can give. Visit <http://www.tewksbury.k12.ma.us/dewing/pac/index.htm> or <http://www.tewksbury.k12.ma.us/dewing/pac/index.htm> for more information on how to help!

Stephen Hancox Memorial Motorcycle Run and BBQ

The 1st ever Stephen Hancox Memorial Motorcycle Run and BBQ will take place on Saturday, October 20th, 2007. This event will be at the Tewksbury/ Wilmington Elks Lodge at 777 South Street in Tewksbury. The motorcycle run rider registration will be from 8:30-9:50 a.m. coffee and donuts will be provided, the ride itself will be from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. and starts at the Elks club. The BBQ is from 1:00 to 6:00 p.m. food will include a pig roast, hamburgers, hot dogs, and the Elks will provide a cash bar. Also, there will be a 50/50 raffle. The cost is a 25 dollar donation, but is free for children under twelve. Go to www.stephenhancox.com to RSVP and more information.

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OBITUARIES

Edmund Paul Howard, Jr.

Marketing and Project Manager for Digital

BILLERICA - Mr. Edmund Paul Howard, Jr. "Paul", age 69, of Billerica, died Saturday, September 22, 2007 at Lahey Clinic in Burlington after a long illness. Paul was born March 4, 1938, in Queens, New York, son of the late Edmund P. Sr. & Lillian (Pierce) Howard. Paul grew up in New York and was educated there, following High School he enlisted in the United States Navy in 1955 and was honorably discharged in 1959.

Paul moved to Massachusetts and was a resident of Billerica for over 30 years. He was employed as a Marketing and Project Manager for Digital Equipment Corporation in Maynard, MA and Merrimack, NH, prior to retiring. He also received an Associates Degree in Science from Fisher Junior College, Boston, MA, in 1977.

Paul was actively involved in the 495th RC Squadron, and he served on various committees at the Wilmington United Methodist Church where he most recently served on the Finance Committee and Pastor Parish Relations.

Paul loved to read and his family was very important to him. Paul is survived by his



beloved wife of 48 years Susan J. (Pepi) Howard of Billerica, he was the devoted father of Donna Leavitt and her husband Dr. Kenneth Leavitt of Brookline, and Steven Howard of Springfield, loving grandfather of Rebecca Leavitt of Brookline, and he was the dear brother of the late Charles Howard.

His funeral service will be held Thursday, September 27, at the Wilmington United Methodist Church, 87 Church St., Wilmington, at 10:00 a.m. Interment Fox Hill Cemetery, Billerica. Visiting hours at the Nichols Funeral Home, Inc., 187 Middlesex Ave., Wilmington on Wednesday, September 26, from 7-9 p.m.

Dorothy H. Kerr

Member of the Descendent's of the Mayflower

WILMINGTON - Mrs. Dorothy H. (Holmes) Kerr, age 91, of Wilmington, formerly of Reading, died Wednesday, September 26, 2007 at Woodbriar of Wilmington. Dorothy was born January 30, 1916 in Buckfield, Maine. She was a daughter of the late Earl and Eola B. (Swallow) Holmes. Dorothy grew up in Buckfield and graduated from Buckfield High School at the age of 15. She attended Business School in Lewiston, Maine, which she completed at the age of 17, with an Associates Degree in Business. Dorothy married Robert S. Kerr, Sr., on July 5, 1936 and they were married for over 45 years until his passing in 1983.

They moved their young family to Wilmington in 1952 and lived there until 1959 when they moved to Reading until 1967. They resided in Canton for a few short years and then returned to Wilmington in 1973, where Dorothy remained until her death.

Upon returning to Wilmington, Dorothy took a job in the accounting department at Compugraphic in Wilmington and she retired in the early 1980's.

In her spare time Dorothy liked to knit and sew. A very talented seamstress, she took pride in making her own clothing. She was also proud of her ancestry of the Mayflower 10th & 11th, Dorothy was a direct descendant of Abigail Warren and Mary Warren who came to America on the Mayflower. Dorothy was also a member of the "Descendent's of the



Mayflower".

Dorothy is survived by her four sons James Kerr & his wife Barbara of Oriental, NC, John Kerr & his wife Jeanne of Reading, Robert S. Kerr, Jr. of New York and Sidney Kerr of Wilmington, her grandchildren Stuart Kerr of Texas, Sue Ellen Kerr of Connecticut, Michael Kerr of Stow, MA, Matthew Kerr of Wakefield, Jennifer Brickett of Reading, Kevin Kerr of New York, Jeffrey Kerr of Texas, and Glenn Kerr of Wilmington, her great-grandchildren Brooklyn Ross, Sebastian & Ethan Kerr, Ryan & Cameron Brickett, and Aiden & Allyson Kerr.

Visiting will be held at the Nichols Funeral Home, Inc., 187 Middlesex Ave., (Rte. 62), Wilmington on Saturday afternoon from 12:00 - 1:00 p.m. Immediately followed by a Funeral Service at 1:00 p.m. Interment will take place in the family lot at Laurel Hill Cemetery, Reading. Memorial donations in Dorothy's name may be made to a charity of one's choice.

Claire Winter

Formerly of Malden; age 70

TEWKSBURY - Claire (Moore) (Shields) Winter, 70, died peacefully at her home on Tuesday morning September 25th after a courageous battle with cancer. She was beloved wife of Russell Winter with whom she would have celebrated their 29th wedding anniversary this December.

She was born in Revere on January 18, 1937 the daughter of the late Roger and Dorothy (Dwyer) Moore. She graduated Revere high class of 1956. She married the late Cornelius Shields in 1956 and raised her family in Revere. Claire worked as a waitress and bartender at many restaurants north of Boston. She lived a greater part of her life in Malden after she married Russell Winter in 1978. She enjoyed crocheting, poker, baby-sitting, and gardening. She retired to Tewksbury with her husband two years ago.

Besides her husband she is also survived by five sons and daughter in laws; Stephen and his wife Beth Shields of Saugus, Thomas and his wife Robin Shields of New Jersey, Timothy and his wife Sandra Shields of Melrose, Paul and his wife Deborah Shields of Saugus, Roger and his wife Janet Shields of Billerica,

Two daughters and one son

in law, Dorothy Shields of Malden, and Pamela Eagan and her husband William of Tewksbury.

Four stepdaughters; Carol and her husband Daniel Clark of Bradford, Barbara Jean Winter of Malden, Rosalind Eisan and her husband David of Plymouth, and Robin Winter-Weber and her husband James of Conway, NH.

One brother Joseph Moore of Virginia, two sisters Mary Palmariello of NH and her twin sister Carole Doherty of Tewksbury.

She is also survived by many, many grandchildren, great grandchildren, nieces and nephews.

Mother of the late Robert and Keith Shields. Sister of the late Roger, Raymond, Paul and Dorothy Moore.

Her funeral will be held Friday, Sept. 28, at 9:00 a.m. from the Tewksbury Funeral Home, corner of Dewey and Main Sts. (Rte 38) Tewksbury Center, phone (800 or 978) 851-2950. Funeral Mass Friday at 10:00 a.m. in St. William's Church, 1351 Main St. (Rte 38) Tewksbury. Visiting hours Thursday evening from 4 to 8 p.m. in the funeral home. Interment will be private. www.tewksburyfuneralhome.com <<http://www.tewksburyfuneralhome.com>>

Joanna M. Oliver

WILMINGTON - Joanna M. Oliver, age 65 years, died on September 12, 2007, at her residence.

Joanna was born on Tuesday, March 31, 1942, in Boston, the daughter of the late John and the late Mary (DeMattia) Oliver.

She is survived by her children Ralph Kinnear, III of FL, Brian L. Kinnear of Townsend, James Hibbins of Billerica, Joseph Hibbins and his wife Sandra of Hudson, FL and Joanna Faulkner and her husband William of Nottingham, NH; her grandchildren Joseph and Jessica Hibbins of Hudson, FL, Sean and Daniel Hagerty of Nottingham, NH and Brian L. Jr. and Kayla E. Kinnear of Woburn; her brothers Gary

Oliver and Donald Oliver both of Buffalo, NY; and her Sister-in-law Sharon Oliver of Franklinville, N.Y. Joanna was also the sister of the late John Oliver of Franklinville, NY.

Relatives and Friends were invited to attend visiting hours at the W.S. Cavanaugh & Son Funeral Home, 374 Main St. (Rt. 38), Wilmington, on Monday, September 24, 2007 from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon followed by a funeral service in the funeral home at 12 noon. Interment followed in Wildwood Cemetery, in Wilmington.

Memorial donations in her name may be made to Girls Incorporated of Greater Lowell, 220 Worthen Street, Lowell, MA 01852.

Public flu shot clinic scheduled at the Pines of Tewksbury

TEWKSBURY - Maxim Health Systems is teaming with The Pines of Tewksbury to offer immunizations to individuals who are at a high-risk of receiving complications from the flu, those who live or work with high-risk individuals, or those who just want to reduce their chances of contracting the flu. With the health of the community at the utmost importance, a series of local clinics are scheduled on October 2 and October 8 at 2580 Main St., Tewksbury.

All Emergent facilities nationwide will receive the first supply of flu vaccinations provided by Maxim Health Systems. The Pines of Tewksbury offers all the opportunity to receive a flu shot this year. Flu shots will be administered on a first come, first serve basis.

This year, instead of waiting

on long lines to receive a flu shot, visit The Pines of Tewksbury inviting lobby, comfortable seating with snacks and beverages prepared for enjoyment by our cook staff. Be proactive and avoid all stresses this year by visiting The Pines of Tewksbury for the flu vaccination. Friends, family and loved ones are all welcome!

Any participant with Medicare Part B coverage will receive their shot at no cost. Maxim will also provide free immunization to anyone covered by Maxim contracted Managed Care Plans (if participating, you will be notified by your Health Plan). All others not covered by the Plans above will purchase their vaccinations through Maxim Health Systems at the time of the shots. Prices are: \$30 for Flu and \$40 for Pneumonia.

Photographica '07 Show

The Photographic Historical Society of New England presents its 68th Photographica Show and Sale at a NEW LOCATION: the Americal Civic Center, 467 Main St. Wakefield MA. Open to the public Sat., Oct 6, 9a.m. to 5 p.m.; Sun., Oct 7, 10a.m. to 4p.m.; Early-Bird Special Sat., 7:30 a.m., and Sun., 8 a.m. General Admission \$5, PHSNE Members \$3, Seniors and Students \$4, Early-Bird Special \$30.

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Wilmington schools welcome new staff members

WILMINGTON - Wilmington Public Schools welcomed numerous staff members to its schools this fall. "We are thrilled that these new teachers and administrators chose a great school system to work in," said Wilmington Public Schools Superintendent Joanne Benton. "They join over 350 dedicated and talented staff who do their best for the children of Wilmington every day."

Boutwell School
Lisa Bertolami, Kindergarten Ed. Asst.

Cheryl A. Ricardo, Ed. Asst. Integrated Pre-school, Assoc./Business, Fisher College

Meghan Ryle, Kindergarten Teacher, BS UMass Lowell, MEd, Salem State

Alice W. Volpe, Kindergarten Ed. Asst., LPN, Tewksbury St. Hospital School of Practical Nursing

Wildwood School
Doreen Champoux, PDD Kindergarten Ed. Asst.

Dolores Harrison, Kindergarten Teacher, BS N. Adams State College

Ann P. Judkins, Kindergarten Ed. Asst., Associate in ECE Mass Bay Comm. College

Emily J. King, Kindergarten Teacher, BS Salem State, MEd, Lesley

Lynne M. Martell, Kindergarten Ed. Asst. BS Salem State

Lisa M. Murphy, Kindergarten Teacher, BS Salem State

Kerin Ritchie, 1:1 Ed. Asst., Assoc. ECE, Middlesex Comm. Coll., BA Salem State

Christine M. Stanford, Kindergarten Teacher, BS UMass Boston

Marion Valerie, Kindergarten Teacher, BS & MEd Salem State

Shawsheen School
Janice Bacon, School Nurse, BA Salem State College

Kerry E. Butler, Librarian, BA Lasell College, MEd, Cambridge College

Ilene Gautreau, 1:1 Education Asst. Attending Bunker Hill CC

Stephanie Gentuso, Grade 2, BA Salem State College

Stephanie Gewlas, 1:1 Educational Asst.

Noelle A. O'Leary, SPED (PDD) Teacher, BA Lasell College

Woburn Street School
Lisa K. King, Asst. Principal, BS & MEd Bridgewater State, CAGS in Ed Leadership Salem St.

Michelle Ponte, Ed. Asst., BA Salem State

Courtney Robinson, Grade 2, BA Tufts

North Intermediate School
Sheila Burke, Grade 5 Teacher, BS UMass, MBA Suffolk U.

Rebecca Farnham, Guidance Counselor, BA Mt. Holyoke, MA Lesley

West Intermediate School
Robin M. Drury, Grade 4, BA Stonehill College, MEd, Lesley

Nora Elton, 6 Art Teacher, MS NYU, MA Tufts

Phyllis H. Greene, Sp. Ed. (RR) Teacher, BS & MEd Simmons, MS Mgmt., Antioch

Michelle K. LeVesque, Grade 4 Teacher

Sally A. Sproule, Ed. Asst. (PDD), BA Salem State

Wilmington Middle School
Jeanne Cappuccio, Special Ed, Asperger's Program, BA UNH, MEd, Lesley U.

Tracey Cruickshank, Alternative Program Teacher, BS U. Maine, MEd, Lesley College

Lisa M. Federici, Health Teacher, BS Bridgewater State, MEd Boston U.

Kristina Giacoppo, Educational Asst. BS Bridgewater State

Kristin Heil, Grade 8 Math, BA Trinity College, MEd, Lesley

Lauren Izzicupo, Spanish Teacher, BA, BS, UMass Dartmouth

Patricia A. Lane, Social Studies, BA UMass & MEd UMass Lowell

Amanda Lojek, Mathematics Teacher, BA Westfield State

Kerri Lombardo, SPED Teacher, BA UMass Amherst

Allan MacLeod, Long Term Substitute

Christine McMenimen, Principal, BA Boston College, MA Salem State

Linda Monroe, Long Term Substitute

Susan G. Morandi,

Mathematics, BS UMass Amherst MS Northeastern U.

Megan Moskal, Health Teacher, BS Keene State College

Joan Murphy, Ed. Asst. BS Bentley College, MEd Salem State

Caitlin Nee, Long Term Substitute

Louise O'Hanley, Mathematics, BS UMass Amherst

Caitlin Orroth, Science, BS UMass Lowell, MEd, Lesley

Scott Rogers, MCAS Prep Teacher, BA Westfield State

Jeanette M. Savage, 6 Study Skills Teacher, BS Salem State, MBA Northeastern

Paula Simpson, Physical Education, BS Bentley, MS Northeastern

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Noel Tashjian, Spanish Teacher, BS Merrimack College

Erica Thomas, Guidance Counselor, BA & MEd Rivier College

Carol Vacca, 1:1 Ed. Asst. Bachelors in Social Work, Salem State

Marissa O. Walker, 5 Social Worker, BA Elon U., Master of Social Work, U. North Carolina

Districtwide
Terri Buscemi, Elem. Math CTL, BS Lesley College, MA Salem State

Trish M. Cramer, Technology Tech., BA Siena Heights U.

Peter L. McGinn, Asst. Superintendent, BS American Int'l College, MA U. Conn, Ed.D Boston College

Colored pencil workshop

WILMINGTON - The Wilmington Arts Council will be hosting a Colored Pencil Workshop on Saturday, September 29, 2007. Local artist Lucina Roark will demonstrate ways to enhance your drawings with various colored

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Friend's of the Tewksbury Patriotic Activities Committee fundraiser

The Friend's of the Tewksbury Patriotic Activities Committee are in the process of performing fundraising tasks to help pay for the expenses of the Memorial Day Parade. A Memorial Day Parade "AD Book" is being offered to raise funds in support of the Memorial Day Parade. Many businesses and private citizens are being approached for them to express their support to continue the Memorial Day Parade. The Ad Book will be available at the Veteran's Day Dance, November 9, 2007, at the Tewksbury Country Club.

The Ad Book price range is a full page ad of 8.5 x11 for \$100.00, 1/2 Page ad for \$50.00, 1/4 page ad for \$30.00, a business card (1/8 page) for \$25.00, Well Wisher for \$20.00 or a Donor Listing. These funds will

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Here are some priority items for your Fall To-Do-List



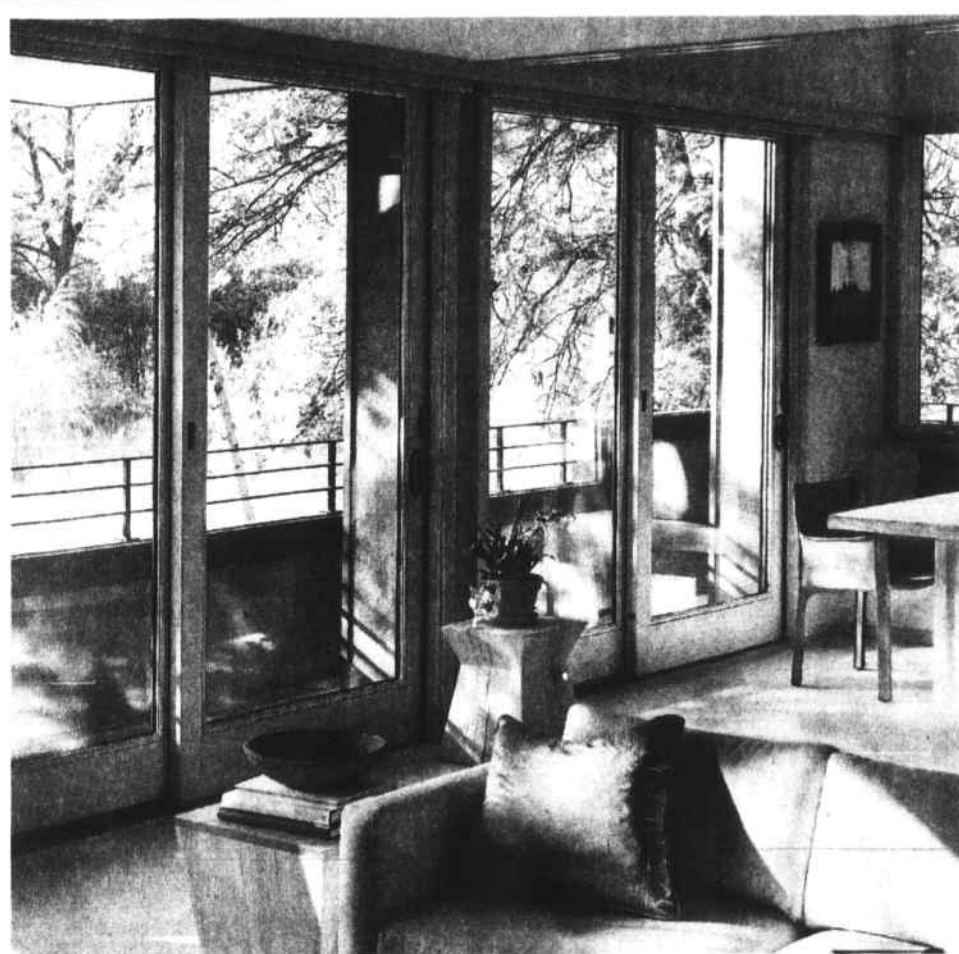
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Local Masonic leaders are honored

LEXINGTON . More than 500 Thirty-third Degree Masons and their ladies gathered in the nation's capital recently for a unique meeting of Scottish Rite Masons.

For the first time since their founding in the early 1800s, the Northern and Southern Jurisdictions met in joint session. Sharing the platform were the leaders of the two Scottish Rite Supreme Councils in the United States, John Wm. McNaughton, Sovereign Grand Commander of the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction, and Ronald A. Seale, Sovereign Grand Commander of the Southern Jurisdiction.

Those in attendance included Grand Masters from the Grand Lodges in most states and 46 representatives from Scottish Rite jurisdictions around the world.

Although many events during

the week-long meeting in Washington, DC, were held jointly, each jurisdiction independently conferred the Thirty-third Degree on a limited group of Masons who were selected for dedicated service to Scottish Rite Freemasonry or service reflecting credit upon the Masonic fraternity.

The meeting concluded with a joint gala banquet at which former U.S. Senator and astronaut John Glenn was presented the Gougas Medal from the Northern Jurisdiction. Glenn is among a group of 36 distinguished Masons who have received this award since its creation in 1938. The medal is given in recognition of notably distinguished service in the cause of Freemasonry, country or humanity.

The Northern Jurisdiction will hold next year's meeting in late August at Providence, RI. The

names of 105 Scottish Rite Masons have been selected to receive the Thirty-third Degree at that time. Next year's recipients include John Appleby of Tewksbury.

Local area Freemasons were among a group of 174 selected to receive the Thirty-third Degree, the highest honor of Scottish Rite Freemasonry. The ceremony took place recently in Washington, DC, during the annual meeting of the Scottish Rite Supreme Council. The degree is awarded for outstanding service to Freemasonry or for significant contributions to humanity that reflect credit upon the fraternity. The 2007 recipients were chosen from 15 northeastern and midwestern states that comprise the 230,000-member Northern Jurisdiction of the United States.

U.S. Coast Guard Recruit Training Center graduate

Coast Guard Seaman Apprentice Patrick M. Connor, son of Joseph F. Connor of Tewksbury, Mass., recently graduated from the U.S. Coast Guard Recruit Training Center in Cape May, N. J. During the eight-week training program, Connor completed a vigorous training curriculum consisting of academics and practical instruction on water safety and survival, military customs and courtesies, seamanship skills, first aid, fire fighting and

marksmanship. A major emphasis is also placed on physical fitness, health and wellness.

Connor and other recruits also received instruction on the Coast Guard's core values - honor, respect and devotion to duty - and how to apply them in their military performance and personal conduct. Connor will join 36,000 other men and women who comprise Coast Guard's force. Men and women train together from the first

day in the Coast Guard just as they do aboard ships and shore units throughout the world. To reinforce the team concept, Connor, and other recruits were trained in preventing sexual harassment, drug and alcohol awareness, civil rights training, and the basics of the work-life balance, as well as total quality management.

Connor is a 2005 graduate of Shawseen Technical High School of Billerica.

Jeniffer Langone achieves Accredited Buyer Representation Designation

WILMINGTON - Coldwell Banker Residential Brokerage is pleased to announce that Wilmington resident Jennifer Langone, of the Coldwell Banker Residential Brokerage office in Tewksbury, has been awarded the Accredited Buyer Representative (ABR) designation by the Real Estate Buyer's Agent Council (REBAC) of the National Association of Realtors, (NAR).

To obtain the ABR, designation, Jennifer successfully completed a comprehensive course in buyer representation and an elective course focusing on a buyer representation specialty, both in addition to submitting documentation verifying professional experience.

Coldwell Banker Residential Brokerage sales associates who attend are qualified to educate buyers about their rights as consumers, negotiate on their behalf and protect the buyer client's interests. Jennifer attended the course at the Coldwell Banker Residential Brokerage state-of-the-art training facility in Woburn.

"The Buyer Agency Representation course is part of an overall training program designed by Coldwell Banker Residential Brokerage to fully support sales associate's career development," said Angela Stamoulos, regional educational manager for Coldwell Banker Residential

Brokerage in Central New England. "In taking this course, Jennifer is developing the knowledge and skills necessary to succeed in the real estate industry, and is demonstrating her dedication and commitment to her clients and customers."

A lifelong resident of Wilmington and a graduate of the University of New Hampshire, Jennifer has been a full-time Realtor® for the past two years and has booked more than \$4.1 Million in sales. She is also a Certified Relocation Specialist, assisting homeowners with their moves to and from locations throughout the United States. Her clients appreciate her dedication, attention to detail, and knowledge of the community. For all your real estate needs, Jennifer can be reached at 978-851-3731.

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company. NRT, a subsidiary of Realty Corporation, operates Realty's company-owned real estate brokerage offices. For more information please visit www.NewEnglandMoves.com



Simbeck graduates basic training

Shane W. Simbeck, a 2007 graduate of Wilmington High successfully completed basic training on September 21 for the U.S. Coast Guard at Cape May, NJ. SA Simbeck will be attending Operations specialist School in Petaluma, CA prior to his permanent duty assignment. Shane is the son of Dawna Benoit and John Benoit of Wilmington

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The Merrimack Valley Chapter of the Embroiderers' Guild of America, Inc. holds monthly meetings on the third Tuesday of each month at the Tewksbury Congregational Church, 10 East Street, Tewksbury at 7:00 p.m. Their new program year takes the concept of "fearless stitching" around the world as they explore stitching techniques ranging from Bargello to

Armenian Marash embroidery, from Battenburg lace techniques to Swedish weaving, and much more! Many programs require advance registration, so act soon to see what they have to offer.

The EGA is a national, non-profit educational organization dedicated to the teaching and preservation of needlework as an art form. The Merrimack Valley Chapter is a lively group

with members spanning a wide range of ages, abilities, and interests. Membership is open to anyone, and newcomers of all levels are strongly encouraged to come by and see what they are all about. The public is invited to join them for an evening of relaxation and fun!

For more information, please contact Rosemary Carter at mvc-membership@neonflamingo.com or 781-893-0959

Discount fair tickets on sale in the Wilmington Recreation Department

Big E

The Easter States Exposition, the "Big E" is underway in West Springfield. New England's biggest fair runs through September 30. Acrobats defy the laws of gravity, while animatronic beasts defy the laws of nature. Teenagers scream from the tops of wild rides, while little ones scream with delight at passing parade floats. There is only one place where it all comes together - The Big E.

Full of shows, exhibits, rides and tempting foods, this yearly

event is a treat! Discount admission tickets are \$10 adult (save \$2 weekdays/\$5 weekend) and \$8 children, ages 6 - 12 (save \$2 weekend). Children age 5 and under are free. Midway passes are available for \$15, which gives you unlimited rides Monday through Thursday, or an 18 unit swipe card for use Friday through Sunday.

Topsfield Fair

America's oldest agricultural fair begins this weekend. The 189th Topsfield Fair begins

Friday, September 28 running through Monday, October 8, 2007. With crafts, foods, grandstand shows and contests, this is a much-anticipated event.

Discount admission tickets are \$8 for ages eight and up; under age eight is free (a savings of \$2 weekdays and \$4 weekends/Columbus Day). A ride ticket is available for \$15, which is good for 10 rides.

To purchase tickets stop by Town Hall, Room 8. For more information, call (978) 658 - 4270.

the balance due when you pick up your ticket.

Extend the holiday season just a bit longer and join in for this post-Christmas trip!

To register for this or other Recreation Department programs stop by Town Hall, Room 8. For more information, call (978) 658 - 4270.

Boston Pops Theatre Trip

Treat yourself and your loved ones to one of Boston's most treasured Christmas traditions. You'll be transformed by the elegance of historic Symphony Hall, enchanted by the sound of the beloved Boston Pops, and moved by the good will and cheer felt by all.

Join the Wilmington Recreation Department as they

travel by bus to Symphony Hall on Thursday, December 27 for the 8 p.m. performance. This show will feature a selection of holiday music performed as only the Pops can.

Cost is \$60 for a center section seat in the first balcony, bus transportation, and trip chaperone. You can pay in full, or a \$25 deposit will hold your seat, with

Country Legends Tribute to benefit Minuteman Senior Services

Join Minuteman Senior Services at the Regent Theatre in Arlington for a Country Legends Tribute Fundraiser on Friday, October 19, at 8:00 p.m. Celebrity impersonators bring country sweethearts Patsy Cline, Dolly Parton and Kenny Rogers to Arlington direct from

Las Vegas, Nevada for the non-profit agency's annual fundraiser.

All proceeds benefit the programs Minuteman provides in 16 communities. Special thanks to Blue Ribbon Sponsor, ABC Home & Healthcare. Great rates for seniors and/or groups of 10

or more are now available. Call the Regent Theatre box office at 781-646-4849 to reserve your seat now, or order your tickets online at www.regenttheatre.com. Sponsorships also available. For more

For information, call 781-221-7015.



Renee Conlin, Ali Remigio and Courtney Downing enjoyed the dance sponsored by the Tewksbury Recreation Department on Friday night.

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Circus tickets at Rec office

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The Wilmington Recreation Department has tickets for the

5 p.m. show on Sunday, October 14, 2007 at the TD Banknorth Garden. They have reserved seats in Sections 6 & 7 for \$12 each. Don't wait - they will have to finalize their ticket order soon!

Contact Wilmington Recreation at (978) 658 - 4270 for more information, or stop by Town Hall, Room 8 to purchase tickets.

"I Love A Parade" Pins

Friend's of the Patriotic Activities Committee

The Friend's of the Tewksbury Patriotic Activities Committee are in the process of performing fundraising tasks to help pay for the expenses of the Memorial Day Parade. "I Love A Parade" pins are on sale at

the Town Clerk's Office at the Town Hall, Monday to Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. or Tuesday evening from 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. and from the Committee Members. The pins will be available at the Special

Town Meeting, Tuesday October 2, 6:30 p.m., at the High School. The pins cost \$1.00 each and we are hoping to sell 1000 of them to wear to express our enthusiasm to continue the Memorial Day Parade.

October 20-21, 2007

Greater Boston Antique Festival

The Greater Boston Antiques Festival is scheduled for Saturday October 20, 2007 and Sunday October 21, 2007 at the Shriners Auditorium in Wilmington, where over 160 diverse dealers will display their antiques in room settings.

Admission to The Greater Boston Antiques Festival is \$8.00 per person. Children 12 and under are admitted free. Hours are Saturday October 20, 2007 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. and Sunday October 21, 2007 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

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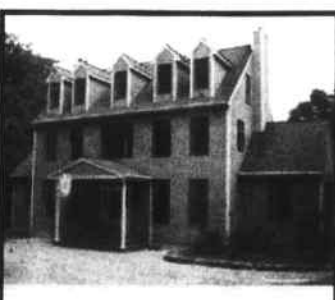
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Tewksbury Senior Topics

Yard sale this weekend! - Zingo resumes on Tuesday!

A Giant Yard Sale will be held this Saturday, September 29th, at the Senior Center White House, 460 East Street from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Come browse the numerous treasure tables, check out the bake sale table and try a luncheon special. Table space is available at \$10 per space by calling 978-640-4480 by this Friday before 12:00 noon. Participants are responsible for providing their own tables and chairs. Donations for the Senior Tables may be dropped off Friday afternoon after 1:00 p.m. or early Saturday morning.

Those seniors preparing for the yard sale are reminded that set-up will begin at 1:00 p.m. this Friday afternoon.

Those traveling to Naples, Maine this coming Monday, October 1st, on the Songo Queen Cruise day trip are reminded that the bus shall depart from the Livingston Street Parking Lot at 6:45 a.m. sharp. There is still room on

this trip. If interested, one must sign-up by September 28th, before noon. The trip cost is \$60 per person and includes motor coach transportation, a 2 - cruise on the Songo Queen sightseeing Lake Sebago, lunch and all gratuities. Meal choices are: Beef Pot Pie, Chicken Parmesan or Baked Haddock. Desert choices are homemade apple pie or carrot cake.

Tuesday afternoon Zingo activities will resume at the Tewksbury Rod and Gun Club 79 Chandler Street next week on October 2nd. The hot lunch program will also be held at this location on Tuesday beginning next week. One is reminded that he/she must call 978-851-5121 by this Friday before noon to reserve a lunch for next Tuesday.

An interest list is being compiled for those interested in resuming the quarterly Podiatry Clinic with Dr. Smith. Due to budget reductions, the cost of participating in the clinic

would be \$25 per person. Once enough interest is shown, a clinic will be scheduled.

Other trip and class interest list are posted at the Senior Center. Among the list is beginner quilting with Diane Fay and list for art classes.

The Foxwood day trip of Friday, October 12th is now full. Those traveling on this trip are reminded that the departure time from the Livingston Playground Parking Lot is 7:00 a.m.

For those who didn't make it in time to sign up for the Tewksbury Foxwood trip, it should be noted that the Andover Senior Center is also planning a Foxwood day trip in October and welcomes Tewksbury Seniors to join the group. The cost is \$25 and a pick-up at Tewksbury would be scheduled. If interested, one should call and the staff will check on the date of this Andover trip.

The craft class has scheduled a trip to the Dartmouth Vanity Fair and the Hometown Buffet. This trip will be held on Wednesday, October 17th. The cost is \$26 and includes mini bus transportation, lunch and gratuities. One may now sign-up. All are welcome.

The craft class is also planning its Annual Harvest Fair. The Fair will be held at the Old Chapel at the Tewksbury Hospital on Saturday, November 10th. Reservations are now being accepted. The cost of a table is \$35. For more information, one may call 978-640-4480.

The Red Hat Carnation Belles and the Dress Barn will hold a Red Hat Fashion Show at Emerald Court on Tuesday, October 23rd. Tickets are now available at \$5 per Red Hatter. A pleasant week is wished to all. God Bless America.

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D.J. Alex Schiripo of Makin' Entertainment took requests from Nicole Chaet, Arianna Medeiros, Nicole DePierro, Natalie Bourne at the dance held by the Tewksbury Recreation Department on Friday night.

(photo by Maureen Lamoureux -www.shootingstarspix.com)

Friends of the Wilmington Memorial Library's Book Store News Bargains among the bargains

WILMINGTON - The Friends of the Wilmington Memorial Library's Book Store, located next door to the library at 183 Middlesex Avenue, will be holding a special sale through December 1: adult hardcover non-fiction biographies, history, sports, natural sciences, and classic mysteries and fiction - any hardcovers that have been withdrawn from the Wilmington Memorial Library through their massive purge last year are now \$1.00 from the regular

hardcover \$2.00 price. Take advantage of this one-time sell-out so we can ensure accommodating your donations and keep our stock vibrant. Even though summer's heat is back for a few days, don't be fooled. The days are getting shorter, nights longer and colder. Time to think about filling your nightstand with winter reading. While shopping, purchase one of our blue canvas bookbags at the below-cost of \$5.00. Consider

joining the Friends and/or "working" at the book store. Contact Leslie Dietrich, 978.657.6536 or lesd4@verizon.net for more information. Thank you for your continued support of the store with your purchases and donations. The Friends' Book Store - the only used bookstore in Wilmington - is open every Saturday from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Creative Play Program

Wilmington parents and children are invited to join with the staff of the Wilmington Recreation Department at play and learn classes. Children ages two through four will engage in activities including arts, crafts, stories and music. Each class will use a new theme to stimulate the

child's imagination. Classes will be held in the Wilmington Town Hall Auditorium on Thursdays, October 4, 18, November 1, 8, 15, 29, December 6, and 13, 2007. Class for children ages 2 & 3 will be held from 11 a.m. - 12 noon; class for children ages 3 & 4 will be held from 12:30 - 1:30

p.m. Each child must be accompanied by an adult who will participate in different activities with their child. Cost is \$64. To register for this or other Recreation Department programs stop by Town Hall, Room 8. For more information, call (978) 658 - 4270.

Let's clean up Tewksbury!

Upcoming Recycling Committee events

TEWKSBURY - Sunday September 30th: Please join the Tewksbury Recycling Committee and help clean up the streets of North and Main for their annual Tidy-Up Tewksbury Day. Sick of the debris on the side of the road? Well, come to the North Street

School and help a good cause starting at 9:00 a.m. and going until 12:00-noon. Refreshments will be served and there will be a grand prize given away to a lucky participant. October 10th: Skewers is hosting a fundraising night for the Tewksbury Recycling

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Wilmington Library Notes

by Christina Stewart

Digital cameras & pastels

Digital Camera Workshop

The Digital Camera workshop that was cancelled in May has been rescheduled for Tuesday, October 30, 6:30 p.m. Lori Shactman, professional photographer, will teach the audience how to take great pictures with a digital camera. Learn about all those little buttons and what they will do for your photographs. The presentation will include how to make photographs into paintings, note cards, and other great personalized items and gifts. Call 978-694-2099 to register. Sponsored by the Friends of the Library.

Portraits in Silhouette

Jean Comerford, silhouette artist, will be at the library to create beautiful silhouette portraits on Friday, November 16 and Saturday, November 17, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Call 978-694-2099 for an appointment. Portraits are suitable for framing and framing will be available on site. Price is \$25 per silhouette, \$10 per additional copy. Prepayment is required. Framing costs from \$24 to \$36. Ms. Comerford will donate 20% of the cost of each silhouette to the Friends of the Library. A great holiday gift that will also give to the library.

Book Discussions

Books, the library's evening book discussion group will discuss *The Secret Life of Houdini: the making of America's first superhero* by

William Kalush and Larry Sloman on Thursday October 4 at 7 p.m. The author exposes Houdini's life as a spy and the stunning plot to murder the magician and destroy his legacy. (summary from MVL online catalog).

Page Turners, the library's morning book discussion group, will discuss *Not without Peril: One Hundred and Fifty Years on the Presidential Range of New Hampshire* by Nicholas Howe on Tuesday, October 16 at 11 a.m. The author chronicles more than a century of exploration, recreation and tragedy on New Hampshire's Presidential Range. (summary from MVL online catalog).

Any one is welcome to come to these book discussion meetings. Check out a copy of the book at the library's main circulation desk.

Teen Zone News

Large Print Easy on the Eyes
Even a good book can be a struggle to read when the print is too small. That's why the Teen Zone now has a selection of titles available in large print! Tiny, cramped text no longer needs to keep you from such popular titles as *All-American Girl* or *The Golden Compass*. All large-print titles are mixed into the teen fiction collection, and can be easily differentiated by the blue sticker on the spine.

Teen Dungeons and

Dragons

The Dungeons and Dragons group will meet Tuesday, October 9, from 3-5 p.m. Beginners through advanced players, entering sixth grade and older, are welcome.

An Introduction to the College Admissions Essay

Bill Caskey, college admission consultant and former Ivy League admission officer will be at the library on Monday, October 15, from 7-8:30 p.m. He will reveal the biases of college admission officers, identify the essential ingredients to include in an essay, and specify the topics to avoid. This session is intended for high school students at all grade levels but particularly for juniors and seniors. Parents are welcome to attend. Please register by calling 978-694-2098 or stop into the Teen Zone.

Color Your World with Pastels!

Artist Sharon Morley will lead a workshop on how to use pastels and how to care for them. Working at their own pace, with emphasis on originality and creativity, students will be guided from basic composition through a completed painting. Call 978-694-2098 to register for this workshop beginning Thursday, October 4. Class is limited to 20 teens and/or adults. Funded by the Massachusetts Cultural Council.

Check Library's Website for What to Read Next

If you are looking for some help on selecting a good read, check on the Reader Resources link on the library's web site www.wilmingtonlibrary.org. Click on "What to Read Next." Here you will find a list of links that provide a variety of reading suggestions for every taste and interest.

Use the Library and Calculate Your Savings

Check out the link on the library's web site www.wilmingtonlibrary.org that calculates how much you save monthly when you use the library.

Walk Boston This Fall

Enjoy fall in New England in and around Boston. Check out some of these walking guides available at the library in the travel section:

Nature Walks in Eastern Massachusetts: An AMC Country Walks Book by Michael Tougas.

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Wednesday: Grilled cheese sandwich, oven fries, peaches.

Thursday: Teriyaki nuggets, fluffy rice, oriental vegetables, pineapple, fortune cookie.

Friday: Pizza wedge, carrot & celery sticks w/dip, mixed fruit.

Middle School & High School
Monday: Hot dog on a roll, tater tots, applesauce w/cinnamon.

Tuesday: Grilled cheese or grilled ham and cheese sandwich, oven fries, peaches.

Wednesday: Pasta with meat sauce or zesty tomato sauce, garlic bread, fresh steamed broccoli, pears.

Thursday: Teriyaki chicken nuggets, fresh stir fry, fluffy rice, pineapple, fortune cookie.

Friday: Pizza wedge, carrot & celery sticks w/dip, mixed fruit.

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Wednesday: Shepards pie, broccoli/carrots, dinner roll, cookie, juice, milk variety.

Thursday: Minestrone soup, turkey on a bulkie roll, vegetable pasta salad, ice cream cup, fruit or juice, milk variety.

Friday: Pizza slices, garden salad w/dressing, seasoned pasta, fruit or juice, milk variety.



Vicky McDermott, Maeve Kilbride, Eamon Kilbride, and Victoria Kingston enjoyed making flour the old fashioned way at the Harvest Festival held at Wilmington's Harnden Tavern on Sunday, September 23, 2007.
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October 16th special state election and special town election Tewksbury absentee voting

Tewksbury Town Clerk, Elizabeth Carey, has prepared the following concerning absentee voting for the October 16th Special State Election and the Special Town Election.

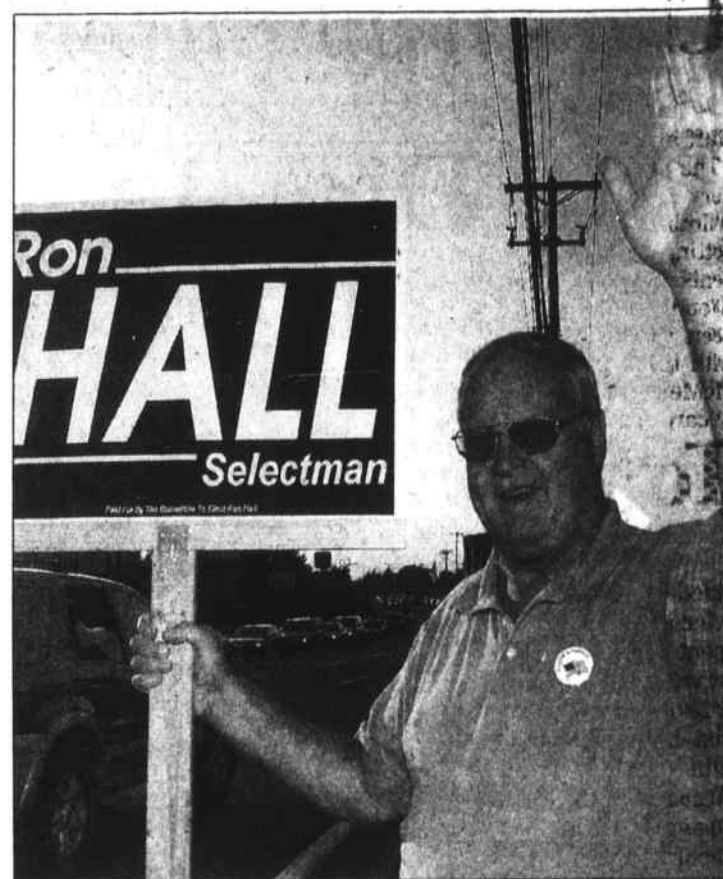
You may vote absentee if you are a registered voter and you will be unable to vote at the polls because: You will be out of town during the hours the polls are open, because you have a physical disability, or because of religious beliefs.

You may request the Special State Election ballot and the Special Town Election ballot on the same absentee ballot application or the written request. You, or a family member, must apply in writing, for an absentee ballot from the office of the Town Clerk before NOON on MONDAY, OCTOBER 15. Applications may be mailed or hand delivered. You may request the official absentee ballot application form or you may use any form of written communication; a letter or

postcard. Include your name, your address where you are listed as a registered voter, the precise address to which you want the ballot sent, and your signature.

Requesting to vote by mail: A ballot will be sent to any address you specify. Be sure to apply early because the ballot must be sent by mail and returned by mail or hand delivered to the Town Clerk's Office before 7:00 p.m. on election day.

Requesting to vote in person: The final day to vote in person is before NOON on MONDAY, OCTOBER 15. You may fill out the absentee ballot application and vote at the Town Hall during the same visit. Office hours are Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and Tuesday evenings from 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Please phone the Town Clerk's office at 978-640-4355 if they can be of further assistance



It's called "Name Recognition". They won't vote for you if they've never seen your name. Ron Hall waved to motorists at the corner of Main and Shawshen Streets last Friday night as they wended their way to their (hopefully) Tewksbury homes. (photo by Maureen Lamoureux -www.shootingstarspix.com)

14th annual Art Festival

TEWKSBURY - On Sept. 28th the Tewksbury Community of Artists 14th Annual Art Festival will be opening for private receptions for the artists and their guests from 7:30 to 9 p.m. This event will be open to the public on September 29, 2007 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. This

event will be held at the John Wynn Middle School in Tewksbury. The Tewksbury Community of Artists and the Massachusetts Cultural Council is sponsoring the event.

For additional information please visit www.tewksbury.info/tca

Wilmington Senior Lunches

Week of Oct 1, 2007

Monday: Ham steak with pineapple, whipped potato,

green beans, whole wheat bread, apricots.

Tuesday: Rotini with meatballs and tomato sauce, French bread, steamed broccoli, pears.

Wednesday: Beef steak w/gravy, whole wheat roll, carrots, parried potatoes, peaches, smoothie.

Thursday: Teriyaki chicken, fluffy rice, oriental vegetables, lite rye bread, pineapple, fortune cookie.

Friday: Cheese lasagna with tomato sauce, spinach, oatmeal bread, mixed fruit, snack loaf.

Gala Erev Simchat Torah Family Service

On Thursday, October 4th, at 7 pm. Join Rabbi Mark Newton and Song-leader Rahel in Simchat Torah. Simchat Torah is a Hebrew term which means "rejoicing with the Torah". The annual cycle of reading the Torah is completed and

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Meriah Wentzell, Peter Nacopoulos and Kara Guttadauro each placed a pinwheel in the courtyard at the Ryan School last week for National Peace Day.

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Christine McMenimen new Principal

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staff and students." The new principal has enjoyed her experiences at the Wilmington Middle School while getting to know the staff, students and parents. "Everyone is friendly and helpful and I've been welcomed by all involved with the middle school," offered McMenimen. "The staff definitely cares about every student and

the parents have been supportive."

McMenimen doesn't want to make changes right away, but does have advice for the students. "I'd like to find out what is working before I make any changes at the middle school, but I do want to share some ideas with the students right away," said McMenimen. "I want all students to work hard, be nice and

get involved in the school."

Heather Rawson is a sixth grader in Discovery House at the Wilmington Middle School. Heather is the latest student to take advantage of a Town Crier correspondence program initiated by Wilmington Middle School teacher Michael Mahoney and enthusiastically agreed to by the Town Crier. This program allows students the opportunity

to have their news articles published in the newspaper. We look forward to bringing our readers installments of the series, in which Wilmington students in the sixth, seventh, and eighth grades will report on the news of the day. Students interested in participating are encouraged to contact Mr. Mahoney in Room 125.

Town Counsel accepts fixed fee contract

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vided in Fiscal Year 2008. According to Lepore, the town spent roughly \$261,000 on legal services in FY07.

"2007 was his biggest year, and that included a lot of work on Olin and New England Transrail that shouldn't come up again in the upcoming year," Lepore said at the September 10th meeting. "But even if it does, he'll have the option to come back (and re-negotiate)."

DeRensis was not present at the September 10th meeting. Town Manager Michael Cairra was instructed by the Board to advise DeRensis of the proposal.

DeRensis accepted the con-

tract during the Board's most recent meeting of September 24th and commended the Board on its unanimity.

"I'm thankful that there was a unanimous vote and that we're able to proceed with consensus on this," DeRensis said. "This arrangement is not the one I preferred, but I defer to the wisdom of the Board."

Since the initial renegotiation of the contract in December of 2003, Wilmington's Town Counsel contract has included a retainer fee of \$54,000 per year for the day-to-day legal services provided to the town. But it has also included a provision for hourly billing, at a rate of \$160 per hour, for litigation and

specialized services. Billable services not covered under the retainer included, but were not limited to, the work of Labor Counsel undertaking such services as collective bargaining, arbitration, grievance hearings, hearings before State Labor Relations Board or civic service or other administrative agencies relating to employee issues. Trial Counsel, otherwise known as litigation, services also fell outside of the retainer, and included adversarial proceedings such as trials, depositions, court motions and preparations therefore and the like. Real Estate Counsel and Bond or Tax Counsel were likewise not covered under the

retainer.

The Fiscal Year 2008 contract, effective as of August 1, 2007, provides for compensation of \$250,000 per annum (by way of a monthly payment of \$20,833.33) for the duties of Town Counsel. It does not provide for hourly billing, but it does allow DeRensis to recoup from the Town expenses and disbursements incurred by DeRensis. It also provides for a 60-day termination clause and the ability for DeRensis to discuss potential modification of the agreement in the event of an "out of the ordinary" circumstance.

\$2 million to support I-93 junction

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and we need to ensure that this growth can continue throughout the region."

The Junction I-93 Development Area is located in Andover, Wilmington and Tewksbury, MA adjacent to Interstate Route 93 between Exit 41 and Exit 42. Andover will receive \$1.4 million in MORE funds and \$1 million in PWED funds, which will go towards the design and construction of the highway interchange and local roads in the three municipalities. The commitment from the state makes

available over \$9 million in federal funds for the project.

Senator Ted Kennedy said, "This announcement means less congestion and significant new economic growth for the Merrimack Valley. I'll continue to work with Governor Patrick and the delegation to provide the necessary federal support, so that Wyeth and the high-skilled workforce of the region can continue to grow."

Michael Kamarck, Senior Vice President at Wyeth Biotech, said that moving forward with the Lowell Junction interchange creates a historic

opportunity not just for Wyeth but also for the entire Merrimack Valley.

"We are extremely grateful for the governor's support of this critical economic development initiative and for his leadership in building jobs and infrastructure for the Merrimack Valley," Kamarck said. "Initiatives such as this are crucial for Massachusetts companies to compete more effectively in an intensely competitive global environment. The medicines we produce at the Wyeth campus in Andover are used to treat life-threaten-

ing diseases and improve human health world-wide and we are appreciative of Governor Patrick's commitment to the Life Sciences here in Massachusetts."

An I-93 Interchange working group has already been formed, consisting of representatives from each of the municipalities, members of the Massachusetts Permit Regulatory Office, and local property owners. The team is meeting to begin the planning process for the project and expects to begin the MEPA process as early as this fall.

Could your business use a boost?

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and put in an application for membership. Each group has a membership committee and an interview process before a member is accepted. The goal is to make certain that each member is ready to provide quality services when they are given a referral, and each member wants to feel confident that the person you're giving a referral to is more than competent."

According to BNI philosophy and literature, "BNI members carry the business cards of fellow members around with them and pass them out to people who might need services or products the members could provide. BNI is based on the proven concept of what goes around, comes around. Successful businesses depend on word of mouth advertising. It is the best and most cost-effective form of advertising possible."

BNI maintains that by providing a structured environment for the development and exchange of quality business referrals, it encourages members to develop important relationships with other qualified business professionals. This, in turn, will give members an opportunity to substantially increase their business.

Michael Champoux, of Proforma Marketing Impressions Marketing Services, sees great value in that strategy.

"The meetings are very structured," Champoux said. "Each member gives a 45-second commercial about their business, and then two members each give an eight-minute presentation. After the presentations, we break and have coffee."

Champoux adds, "We keep track of referrals and then share how much money has been made through them. I've been a member for six years."

Each member pays membership fees to the Mass Chapter of BNI and a quarterly fee to their local chapter. According to Champoux, it generally takes no more than one or two referrals to recoup dues.

"I've found there are lots of benefits to members," Champoux said. "The referrals we share are with people who are ready to do business. Another benefit is that I get to polish my message (about my business) so it keeps me sharp. In addition, we have the ability

to connect with both owners of other businesses and successful business people. BNI is a big picture organization. Our chapter is focused and intent on keeping it based in Wilmington, and to promote healthy business here."

Angela Keane of Longwood Travel in Wilmington has been involved with BNI for a number of years.

"I can't say enough about BNI in Wilmington," Keane said. "It is a group of the most dynamic and energetic sales people you can ever come across. BNI is all about getting to know and trust these folks so you can refer them and their services as if they are working for you. We all work for each other. That is what makes us so unique compared to other organizations."

Explaining how well BNI works for her, Keane continues, "I did get a referral for a honeymoon vacation over a year ago, and since then I have planned several trips for this couple. I might add that I do business with the in-laws, too. It's all about trust, and after you show how well you provide your service, it's off to the races, shall we say. One referral leads to the next. Whether it is corporate or leisure travel, every member keeps their ears/eyes open for my travel business - as I do for theirs. It's called 'givers gain.'"

BNI meets every week on Wednesday morning at 7:00 a.m. in Brooks Interiors Group, located at 5 Waltham Street in Wilmington. Brooks Interiors' founder and president, Denny Engstrom, is a member.

"We have a great group of people in our network gatherings," Engstrom said. "They find great business opportunities for us more often than not. There are also great opportunities for people who are trying to grow their business and in that process they help others. It's also a great place for people who want to use it as a vehicle for new business."

Engstrom will take over as President of BNI Route 62 Business Partners in October.

BNI networking requires commitment from its members, and the most successful chapters of BNI are usually comprised of participants who are sincerely committed to helping one another through networking by adopting a team attitude.

Visitors to weekly meetings of BNI Route 62 Business Partners in Wilmington are encouraged, and are guaranteed to receive a hearty welcome and a real sense of the camaraderie present in a group that fosters a healthy and helpful environment to encourage business in town.

BNI International founder and CEO Ivan R. Misner, Ph.D. started BNI-Business Network

International in January of 1985. BNI International currently boasts 4,600 chapters in 37 countries. BNI Massachusetts alone operates 100 chapters. For more information on BNI International, visit www.bni.com.

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West Intermediate School Music Teacher Blake Siskavich recently returned from a seven city European concert tour with the Boston Symphony Orchestra. courtesy photo

Local teacher tours Europe with BSO

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very different culture over there. Even the audiences are dressed to the nines. They wear black ties and formal attire. Europe has hundreds and hundreds of years of musical tradition, and they have such a large appreciation for classical music. All of our concerts sold out."

One concert in particular made a lasting impression on Siskavich. "We performed at Royal Albert Hall in London on the night that Pavarotti died. They dedicated the performance to him. It was very touching."

The tour was, in part, to pro-

mote the BSO worldwide. The concerts were recorded and will be released on CDs. Having toured Italy last spring with Wilmington's Strings Attached Orchestra, this recent trip gave him the opportunity to explore more of Europe's offerings.

"Lucerne, Switzerland was so beautiful. It's a quiet town and our hotel had these huge mountains behind it," described Siskavich. "But, on this trip, I'd say Paris was my favorite city. It's a nice balance of city life. It's extremely clean. I speak French so that was definitely helpful."

Now that he's back in Wilmington, he is sharing his

experience, knowledge and talent with his fourth and fifth grade students at the West Intermediate School. He also teaches music to kindergartners at the Boutwell School.

Siskavich attended Ithaca College and earned a degree in Music Education and Voice Performance. This is his third year with the Tanglewood Chorus, and he performs on a rotational basis with the group at Symphony Hall in Boston from September through May. During the summer season, he performs with the chorus in Lenox, MA.



Not to be outdone by his brother (see page 1), Mike Dancewicz of Wilmington tried (with a limited degree of success) to walk the rope ladder at Camp 40 Acres on Sunday. Eagle Scout Candidate Tom Barry held a fundraiser at the Camp to raise funds for his Eagle Project. (photo by Maureen Lamoureux -www.shootingstarspix.com)

Don't get bugged

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munities, tracking West Nile Virus as well as other diseases such as Eastern Equine Encephalitis. Although the viruses have infiltrated Wilmington and Tewksbury in past years, this season has yet to produce a positive result.

CMMP is contracted by 39 Massachusetts towns to take steps to monitor and minimize the chance of an outbreak. "We put applications of juvenile growth hormones specific to mosquitoes into the catch basins to prevent the emergence of adult culex mosquitoes," explained Timothy D. Deschamps, CMMP Executive Director.

"We check the wetland areas in town and we put a bacterial product into the water to prevent human biting mosquitoes," continued Deschamps. "We also have surveillance traps and we check those once a week to test the mosquito pool for viruses. If a town tests positive, we'll add more surveillance traps to monitor more closely."

Wilmington's Board of Health Director Gregory Erickson said that regardless of a positive or negative test result, residents need to take precautions to protect themselves.

"It doesn't really change anything when a dead crow is found in a neighboring community like North Reading," said Erickson. "We assume that the disease is prevalent in the area. You have to take steps to protect yourself not just from West Nile Virus, but also from other diseases such as Lyme disease and EEE."

Tewksbury's Board of Health Director Lou-Ann Clement agreed. "Residents should cover up with long sleeve clothing and use a repellent with DEET to protect themselves. It's also important to make sure there's no standing water in your yard, and that includes areas such as bird baths. Even something as small as water in

a bottle cap can allow for larvae to breed. The threat is with us until there are two consecutive hard frosts."

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Mothers & More

Celebrating 20 years with Open House and Annual Fall Sale

By CHARITY B. LEGVOLD

TEWKSBURY - Party like it's 1987! Where were you in 1987? The Merrimack Valley Chapter of Mothers & More will be asking this question when it hosts its annual Membership Drive Open House on October 10, 2007 at 7:00 p.m. with this theme that celebrates the 20th anniversary of the national organization.

From their website, "Mothers & More is a non-profit organization dedicated to improving the lives of mothers through support, education and advocacy. We address mothers' needs as individuals and members of society, and promote the value of all the work mothers do."

Our mission is based on the following core beliefs:

- All mothers, all children and all families are unique. We respect the wisdom of each mother to decide how to care for her children, her family, and herself.

- The transitions women make into and through motherhood are challenging and can be difficult.

- A mother is more than any single role she plays at any given point in her lifetime.

- All women deserve recognition and support for their right to choose if and how to combine parenting and paid employment.

- All the work mothers do - whether paid or unpaid - has social and economic value.

- Mothers have the right to fulfill their care giving responsibilities without incurring social and economic penalties."

Founded locally in 1995 by women seeking to end the isolation they felt as stay-at-home

mothers, today the Merrimack Valley Chapter of Mothers & More has about 45 members from many towns in the Merrimack Valley area, including Tewksbury, Wilmington, Lowell, Dracut, Billerica, and Andover. What sets them apart from other mothers' groups is their focus on women as individuals, not solely in their role as mothers. They recognize that mothers also have a common need to acknowledge and accommodate their own personal interests and abilities as capable, intelligent, and vital women.

For 20 years, the organization has had its meetings in the evening - without children - to give mothers a much-needed respite. From the new mother in the throes of sleep deprivation and overall chaos to the mother of teenagers and all the complicated schedules and issues they bring, the typical member of Mothers & More is only typical because of how unique she is.

And yet, it's been a perfect match for 20 years.

"Our members are all mothers, but they're certainly not all the same," says Joanne Brundage, founder and executive director of Mothers & More. "Nor would we want them to be. We're proud to have members across the country who support each other personally, and care about the issues that affect all mothers nationally."

Unlike any other member support organization for mothers, Mothers & More is an active and vocal advocate for mothers, generating public awareness and discussion about how public policies, workplace practices and

cultural attitudes often de-value care-giving work. At the same time, regardless of a mother's individual employment, family or parenting circumstance, the organization provides a safe place where women connect to discuss real feelings, real lives and real motherhood.

"Mothers & More chapter meetings provide a place for women to voice the emotional and practical issues they face making the transition from being "out in the world" to being at home (as well as other transitions that motherhood can bring) and to explore together avenues for self-fulfillment (returning to school, becoming active in the community, developing sustaining friendships, pursuing personal interests, working outside the home) during their parenting years," according to their website.

Bi-weekly Chapter meetings each have a discussion theme. These meetings happen on the second and fourth Wednesday of each month in the Community Room of the Saunders Building at the Tewksbury State Hospital. They meet at 7:00 p.m. for a social hour, followed by the meeting topic at 8:00 p.m. Although most meeting topics last for about an hour, many members stay after the end of the official meeting for more social time! Upcoming themes include "Playgroups That Work" on September 26 and "Melding Your Holiday Traditions" on October 24th.

Because of their emphasis on mother's needs, they offer many moms-only events in addition to the usual kid-focused activities.

Water rates adjusted

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paying less," explained Michael Woods, Superintendent of the Water and Sewer Department. "It encourages people not to over water and to pay attention to things like leaks."

"The DEP [Department of Environmental Protection] has been pushing this block rate billing structure within communities for decades," added

Woods. "It's referred to as a 'conservation rate.' Part of the process in applying for MWRA membership involves the community moving toward this block rate billing structure. It really is the way of the future."

The Commission also voted to increase the rates for private fire protection. This applies to industrial, large commercial water lines that are not

metered for hydrants or sprinkler systems.

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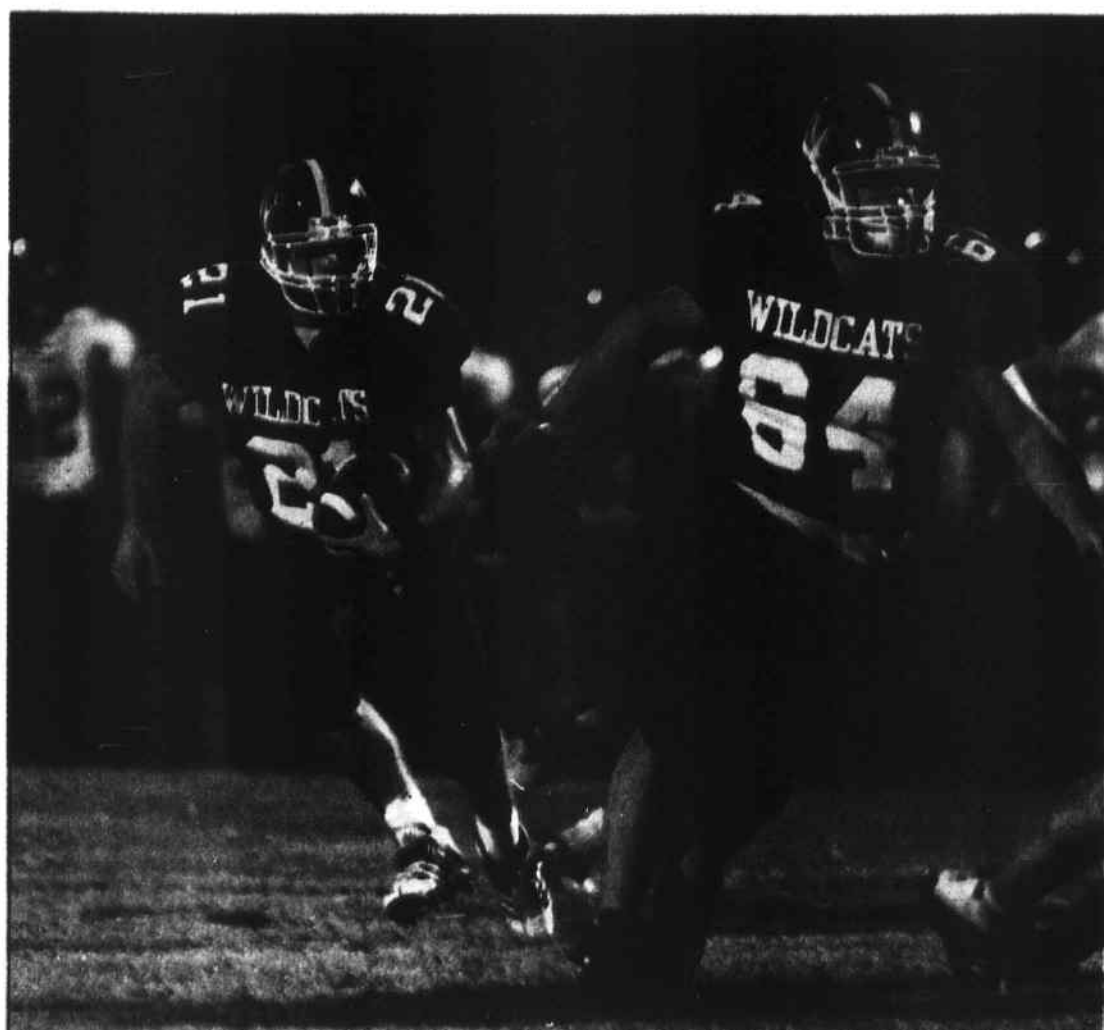
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Senior Ernie Mello rushes for 375 yards

One kid, seven touchdowns



Wilmington High senior running back Ernie Mello scored all seven of the Wildcats touchdowns, as well as rushing for 375 yards, while ending the night with 427 all-purpose yards during Friday night's 47-33 victory over Lawrence held at Alumni Field. Mello, shown above, left and right, took two of his 42 carries on the night.

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Ernie Mello's Stats

Game 1: Has 135 rushing yards on 22 carries, scores three touchdowns in Wilmington's 34-6 win over Belmont.

Game 2: Has 242 rushing yards on 24 carries, scores four touchdowns in Wilmington's 27-17 win over Newburyport.

Game 3: Has 375 rushing yards on 42 carries, scores seven touchdowns, and also had two kick-off returns for 52 yards and two receptions for 19 yards giving him 446 all-purpose yards in Wilmington's 47-33 win over Lawrence.

Totals: 88 carries; 752 rushing yards; 14 touchdowns; 4 receptions; 45 receiving yards; 116 return yards; 913 all-purpose yards.

Vs Lawrence (play by play of Mello's offensive stats)

+7, +1, +6, +25, +1 (TD), +6, +12, +19, +9 (TD), +2, 0, +7, +6, +10, 10 yard reception; +1, +15, +6, +5, +31, -3, +2 (TD), +2, +9, +9 (TD), +12, +3, +9, 0, +5, +5, 9 yard reception, +5, +9 (TD), +51 (TD), +6, +17, +7, +6, +27 (TD), +8, +6, +4, +12.

Notables:

- Mello has 21 carries that have gone for double figures in yards including 13 carries from 10 to 19 yards; 4 carries from 20 to 29 yards; 2 carries from 30 to 39 yards; and 2 carries from 51 to 59 yards.
- Mello has 752 rushing yards. The team has 953.
- Mello has given Wilmington 34 first downs. The team has 49.
- Of Mello's 88 carries only five have not gone for positive yards. He has four carries of no gain, and one carry for negative three yards.

Running back now has 14 touchdowns in three games

By JAMIE POTE
Sports Editor

At halftime, Ernie Mello already had a very impressive 111 yards and two touchdowns as the 'Cats led 14-12 in week three of the Wildcat football season. But it was in the second half, perhaps when he was supposed to get tired, when Mello exploded to astronomical numbers. In the final 22 minutes of Friday night's two hour and forty-four minute game, Mello rushed for 264 more yards and scored four more touchdowns. In the past eleven years, no Wildcat running back has rushed for 264 yards in a game, nevermind a half.

When 9:44 came around and the final whistle blew, the

Wildcats were celebrating on its home field. Rightfully so, Mello was asked to lead the charge to the team's winning song, since all he did in this one game was score seven touchdowns, rush for 375 yards on 42 attempts, not to mention adding two receptions and two kick returns, amassing a total of 427 all-purpose yards in the team's 47-33 victory over Lawrence.

By all accounts, Mello should have taken sometime to talk about himself, his game, and the game of a lifetime for any high school football player who has ever taken the field. But once again he tried to skip that

MELLO PG SP5W

Campbell punches his way to a win

By MIKE IPPOLITO
Sports Correspondent

A near capacity crowd had jammed the Shriner's Auditorium in Wilmington on Friday night for a great show of World Champion Fighting (WCF) in hopes of seeing just one thing. Wilmington native Jamie Campbell was set to square off against Steve Sneigel in one of the main events of the evening, and the crowd eagerly anticipated his arrival as the enjoyed several other hard fought matches, in this subdivision of the very popular Ultimate Fighting Championship.

It took awhile, as it was nearly 11:30 in the evening before Campbell finally hit the ring, but once there he did not disappoint, sending the rollicking crowd home happy with a victory in the second round over Sneigel, a match which ended with Campbell on top of his opponent pounding punches to his face while Sneigel covered up before the referee stopped the bout.

"It went really well," Campbell said. "I could not have asked for a better showing. It was the best it could possibly have been, just unbe-

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Campbell punches his way to a win

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unbelievable."

Unfortunately for Sneigel, he never really had a chance. The talented fighter from the South Shore brought some great credentials into the fight with him, but with the support Campbell was getting from the local crowd, the match as never in doubt.

"The crowd was awesome. You could feel the difference in the crowd when my fight started compared to all the other fights," Campbell said. "They got me going more than usual. When you have the crowd behind you like that it is like fighting in your own backyard. And you feel like you just can't lose."

Campbell was in control the entire match as after a couple of quick Sneigel punches to start the first round stunned Campbell, he came back strong in the first round, taking Sneigel to the mat and put

him in a guillotine hold before releasing him and beginning to pound away at his face. It looked like the match might end in the opening round, but Sneigel would not give in.

"I was pounding away at his face, but he was punching right back from the bottom. I was thinking, wow, this kid just won't give up," Campbell said.

To start the second round, on the advice of his trainer Chuck Taylor, Campbell came right out and threw a vicious right hand at Sneigel and dropped him to the canvas. Campbell then got on top and once again began pounding away with punches from all angles.

"My face was all bloody and his face was all bloody and finally he covered up and the ref stopped the fight," Campbell said. "I ended up with a black eye from the fight but I can't imagine what he must look like. I must have

landed over 100 punches."

For Campbell, the toughest part of the night may have been waiting to go out and begin the fight. As one of the headliners of the evening he had over a three hour wait before his bout started, having arrived at 8:00 for a mandatory check in.

"It's awful waiting," Campbell said. "It's worse than the fighting. You are just waiting and waiting and it is the worst feeling, but you have to go through it. If someone says they are not nervous during the wait they are lying. For me the nervousness was more about not wanting to let everyone down. All these people came down to see me and I did not want to disappoint them."

Campbell, a former football star for Wilmington High and Merrimack College, and now working for the Suffolk County Sheriff's Office, was participating in just his third WCF bout and he is now undefeated in the three bouts, but don't look for the Wilmington strong man to be making regular appearances on the WCF circuit. Friday night was likely the last bout of his career.

"It would have to really be the right situation for me to fight again," Campbell said. "Like a title shot or a shot at the number one contender. I would love to fight in Wilmington again, but if it is somewhere else and is just another fight it is not really worth it. It was special being in Wilmington."

Campbell was thrilled to have done so well in his very brief WCF career, but he knew he could not have done it himself. It was the great lessons he got from his trainers that made all the difference.

His principal trainer Chuck Taylor, along with wrestling coach Brian Tildsley, and boxing trainers Jimmy McNally and George McDonald were a huge part of his success.

"I really want to thank all of those guys as well as all of my sparring partners who put in some much work with me," Campbell said.

Along with the trainers who got him ready to fight, Campbell also wanted to thank all of those who helped support him on his way to victory on Friday night and in the weeks leading up to the fight.

"I want to thank my friend and family and everyone I did not get a chance to thank on Friday night," Campbell said. "Everyone was so happy and proud of me. I would like to thank each and every person who came out to see me



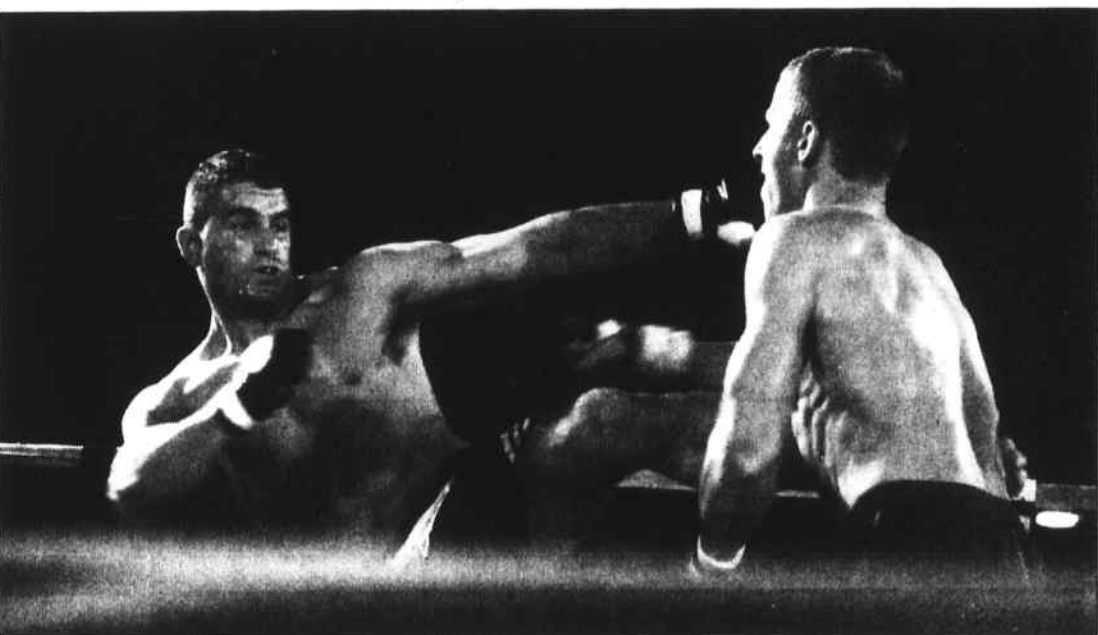
Wilmington resident Jamie Campbell competed at the World Championship Fighting Event this past Friday held at the Shriner's Auditorium in Wilmington. Campbell above gets his opponent Steve Sneigel in a headlock, and below he punches him. Further below, Campbell gets words of encouragement from his corner, including Chuck Taylor and Brian Tildsley. Campbell won in the second round, to improve to 3-0 in his very short fighting career.

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Wilmington resident Jamie Campbell puts his guard up during the middle of Friday night's World Championship Fighting match held at the Shriner's Auditorium.

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Special Olympics Golf held in Florida

Keith Peabody takes Silver Medal in Port Lucie

By JENNIFER PETINGE
Sports Correspondent

The game of golf requires focus, patience, skill, and practice. Any golf enthusiast would also agree that a certain amount of dedication and preparation are necessary. One of the most important attributes a golfer can have is confidence in his or her game. The ability to shake off a bad round and focus on the next task at hand is not easily learned.

Keith Peabody, a Wilmington resident and avid golfer, has no doubt faced his share of obstacles in the sport. Enthusiasm, faith in his game, and a love of golf have helped Peabody to overcome these hurdles and become the exceptional golfer he is today.

The defining moment of Peabody's golf career came when he was only a teenager in high school. His mother and ever present supporter, Marge, recalls bringing Keith down to the Shawheen Elementary School one day to hit a few golf balls with him.

"We took him to the field," said Marge. "And saw he could hit the long ball." The rest is history.

Now, 25 years or so into his career, Keith is making his mark on a national level. Keith and his mom just returned from the eighth annual Special Olympics National Invitational Tournament in Port St. Lucie, Florida. Keith was one of almost 200 golfers to compete in the PGA run event and he finished with a Silver Medal.

When asked what it was like to play on the award-winning Ryder and Wanamaker Courses, Keith and his mom both reply, "It was pretty hot." With temperature hitting triple digits during the tournament, it was important to "make sure you were hydrated," says Marge.

The heat certainly didn't hamper Keith's game. He competed at one of 15 individuals in the Level 5 individual 18-hole competition. Keith welcomed the challenge. "No pressure," says Keith. This was not Keith's first time competing on the national stage.

"This is his fourth time in Port St. Lucie," said Marge. "He's also played twice in Iowa."

Keith's favorite part of these tournaments is not the travel or the national coverage, however. "Competing and getting to know the new golfers" is what draws Keith to the invitational tournament. Marge has her share of fun on the course, as well. "I'm his caddy," says Marge.

The mother and son duo proved unstoppable on the course. At the end of the tournament, Keith had earned a silver medal in his division. Competing on the national level is just "frosting on the cake," according to Marge.

The Peabody family enjoys the game at home in Massachusetts. As members of the Billerica Country Club, Keith and his mom devote three to four days a week to practice.

"As soon as the snow melts," says Marge, "We're out." Barry Bruce, golf pro at Billerica, has long been a friend of Keith's. "He's been extremely helpful and friendly," said Marge. Bruce even recruits Keith to assist with new golfers. "I take them out and show them the ropes," says Keith.

Keith also participates in a variety of fundraisers. In the next week, Keith will be doing a fundraiser in which other golfers must tee off with Keith and see if they can match his distance. He has volunteered and participated in fundraisers in both Hamilton and Stowe.

Despite the demand for Keith on the course, he still finds time to play a few rounds with his mom.

"I like to play with him," says Marge. Keith's brothers also enjoy golf. In fact, athletics seems to be a recurring theme in the Peabody family. One of Marge's grandchildren, a freshman at the University of New Hampshire, is a cross country runner on the varsity team. One thing is true for the Peabody's: the family that supports each other stays together.

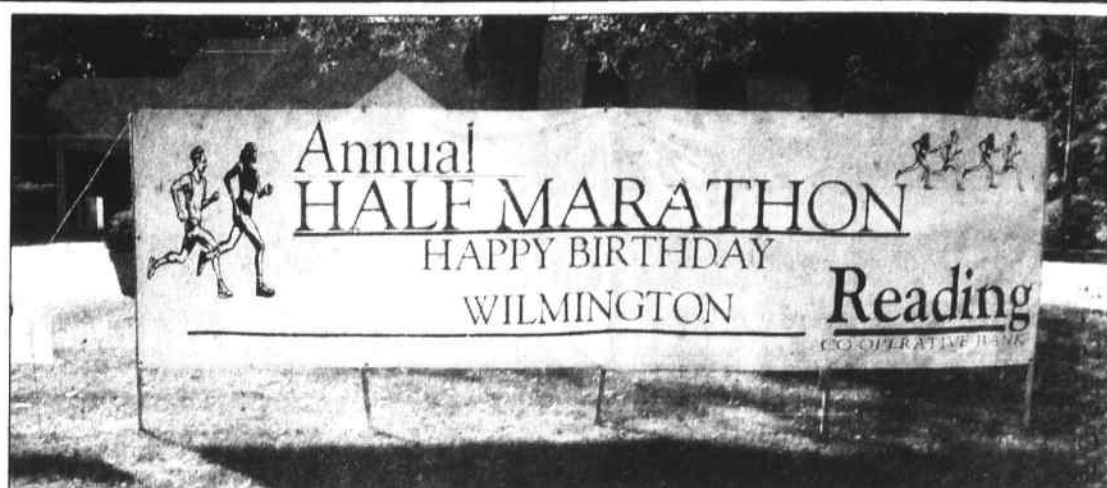
When he's not devoting his time to practice and tournaments, Keith enjoys watching golf on television.

"Yes," says Keith. "My favorite player is Tiger Woods." What a suitable role model. Keith also participates in bowling league during the winter. He plays candlepin bowling at Candlewood Lanes in North Reading, MA. As if his schedule was not busy enough, Keith continues to work at Market Basket, a job he has kept since his days in high school.

"Keith has done very well with golf," says Marge. "He finds a lot of success and the confidence goes to other areas of his life, like work." According to Marge, Keith is always, "breaking grounds." "Just because you have a disability," says Marge, "does not mean you cannot play a sport. He can hold his own."

Keith shows no sign of slowing down his golf game. "Yes, I want to keep playing," says Keith. Marge sides with her son. "Once it's in your blood," she says, "you keep doing it."

On Monday, Keith Peabody will be celebrating his 41st birthday ... and he already received an early present: his Silver Medal from this recent competition.



Wilmington's third annual Happy Birthday Half Marathon, as well as 5K race will be held this Sunday morning thanks to Reading Co-Operative Bank. (Maureen Lamoureux photo)

Third annual road race, Sunday

By MIKE IPPOLITO
Sports Correspondent

Sunday morning at 10:00 am, a race that is quickly becoming a great annual tradition in Wilmington will be back for its third straight year. Wilmington's 3rd Annual Happy Birthday Half Marathon will start and finish at the RMA Fitness Center on Middlesex Avenue, but this year for the first time the half marathoners will be joined by runners competing in a 5K run, which organizers of the event are hoping will attract even more participants than in the past two years.

The races will start simultaneously at 10:00 am, but will take different routes.

"We have had 160 participants the past two years, but we are hoping with adding the 5K that we will get over 200 this year," Laura Ahern, one of the event organizers said. "We have had a lot of people contact us already, but we are hoping to get even more at the post registration the morning of the race."

The races promise to be a great time for participants as well as observers. With Sunday expected to be a great day for racing weather wise, and with plenty of music and fun planned for the day it should be a memorable experience. There will be plenty of water

stops along the way for the runners and the first 300 participants will receive a t-shirt. Other prizes will be awarded in several different categories.

The defending champion in the half marathon is Ryan Carrara of Hudson, MA, while Wilmington's Ken Warren was the top local finisher last year with third place finish after winning the First Annual race two years ago in a time of 1:19.06.

Cost of the half marathon is \$20 for pre-registrants and \$25 at post registration, while the cost of the 5K race is \$15 for pre-registrants and \$20 at post registration with a special discount for students.

The 5K race was added in the hopes of attracting many of the area's young runners, and organizers are giving them a reduced entry fee in the hopes of attracting as many as possible. Any student with a student ID can race for just \$10.

It seems appropriate that race organizers are hoping to attract young people, since one of the main beneficiaries of the race is Wilmington High School, with two \$1,000 scholarships being donated to the school thanks to the generous support of the race's biggest sponsor, Reading Co-operative Bank.

"Reading Co-operative has been just great to us," Ahern

said. "They give us the money we need for the up front cost of the race and the money for the scholarships. They take care of a lot of things we need to start the race."

Along with Reading Co-Operative another there have been many other great sponsors, including Catherine Wilson of Wilson & Wolfe Real Estate who has been very generous to race organizers. Beyond the money for the scholarships, any remaining funds from the race will go toward other areas of need in the community.

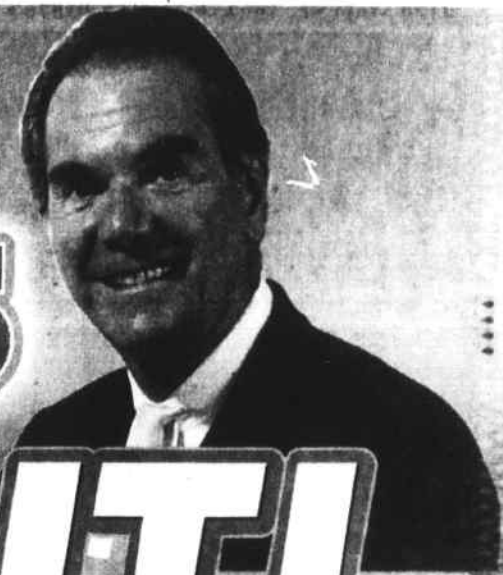
"All the monies stay within the community," organizer Tom Pazyra said. "It will go towards the Fourth of July celebration and 40 Acres and the food pantry and other areas of the community."

One place the money will definitely not go to is race organizers or those helping out on the day of the race, as all of the people involved are donating their time on a strictly volunteer basis.

"They are all volunteers and they do a great job," Pazyra said. "I especially want to thank Laura Ahern and Denise Gentile, who have really done all the work leading up to the race. I can't say enough about what they have done. The race would not happen if not for them."

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Wilmington High senior quarterback Kyle Moon takes a snap from center Johnny Kincaid during Friday night's exciting 47-33 win over Lawrence at Alumni Field. (JoeBrownphotos.com)

Put up over 500 yards of offense

Wildcats get offensive against Lawrence

By JAMIE POTE
Sports Editor

For those who had to pay to get in, and to sit on those uncomfortable bleacher seats for nearly three hours, might have complained had they not witnessed what happened in front of their very own eyes and on their own home field turf. After all, how many times, if any, do you get to see a high school football player score seven touchdowns in a game, and rush for 375 yards?

What Wilmington High senior tailback Ernie Mello accomplished on Friday night is something that you would think

when called upon getting 63 yards on 8 carries, and Steve Stewart added in three carries for 39 yards. Quarterback Kyle Moon was better than he was in the previous two games, completing 6-of-9 passes for 52 yards.

On the flip side of that, Lawrence really picked apart Wilmington's defense combining for 400 total yards with 332 in the air and 68 on the ground.

But the story was Mello.

"I've watched Ernie since he was a member of the Pop Warner D team and we all knew that he was going to be a really good running back. He's

Mello started the offensive night by scoring his first touchdown of the game on the team's first possession. After Lawrence went three-and-out, the 'Cats took over on its own 46. Mello took the ball six of the eight plays which included going 25 yards to his right and getting a terrific block from Mike Manganelli before dragged down at the 1 yard line. From there he polished off what he started going in for the 1-yard TD run. Steven Stewart's kick was good and Wilmington had a 7-0 lead.

Lawrence came right back exploiting Wilmington's weak-

One kid, seven touchdowns

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as much as he could. He was asked what was the best part of the entire night.

"The win. We just look for wins, that's it. All we care about is getting the win," he said.

So in the team's first three games this season check out what Mr. Mello has done: 22 carries for 135 yards and 3 touchdowns; 24 carries for 242 yards and 4 touchdowns; and 42 carries for 375 yards and 7 touchdowns. Through three games, he has 88 carries for 752 yards with 14 touchdowns. He is averaging 8.5 yards per carry and 251 rushing yards per game. He's also on pace to rush for 2,761 yards while scoring 51 touchdowns. Obviously that's not going to happen, but what is happening is the back-up running back from a year ago is nothing less than explosive and unstoppable right now.

"He was a back-up to an all-scholastic (in Richie Barry last year)," said head coach Bob Almeida. "He was phenomenal. He is really, really running so instinctively, so hard, he's getting tough yards and he's making some great downfield cuts. He's playing really, really well."

Both Almeida and Mello praised the work of the offensive line which has also dominated defensive lines and games. Mello said the entire group didn't change anything

from the weeks before, they just spilled their guts in the trenches allowing Mello to run wild. Almeida agreed.

"You really have to start with the offensive line," said Almeida. "They have done such a tremendous job - Kenny Joyce, Dan Molonson, Johnny Kincaid, J.J. Lyons, Chris Thibault, Evan Borseti and Tommy Barry blocking from the ends and Corey Groves has been spectacular (at fullback) and he's had some really nice runs too."

Groves is certainly the most underrated player to this point. The fullback has played phenomenal.

"It's same old, same old (from the offensive line)," said Mello. "And Corey Groves running the ball he was a monster, and his blocking was awesome too. He's the lead block everytime I carry the ball, so it all starts with him."

Running behind Groves and the rest of his O-Line, Mello actually took it easy in the first half, scoring on a 1-yard run to open the game's scoring, before adding a 9-yard touchdown run giving the 'Cats a 14-6 lead with 2:25 to go in the first half.

Then in the second half all you saw was No. 21 everywhere on the field and all you heard was Tom Walsh over the PA saying "Ernie Mello, Ernie Mello and Ernie Mello" until his face turned as blue as the

Wildcat uniforms. All of those uniforms celebrated in the end zone with Mello five times in the second half as he ran in touchdown runs of 2, 9, 9, 51 and 27 yards respectively.

"No way (could I have imagined this)," said Mello. "I lost count (of the touchdowns). I couldn't even understand it probably because it was such a long game. I can't understand it but I would never have imagined this."

Yet he finished the game with 42 carries. Forty-two carries, not to mention two receptions, two kick-off returns and oh yeah playing defense.

"I feel pretty good. I hurt my hand last game but I'm fine. Yeah I felt good (tonight). There's no complaints," he said.

The only complaint?

"We have to step it up on defense but if we keep putting points up on the board like we did tonight, we'll have a good year. But we'll tighten up our defense and that's what our coaches will help us do," said Mello.

Perhaps the coaches will make adjustments to the team's defense, but certainly they'll just continue to give the ball to No. 21 Ernie Mello, who is making Wildcat Football history each and every Friday night.

WHS FOOTBALL BOX SCORE

Wilmington 47, Lawrence 33

Lawrence 6 6 6 15 - 33
Wilmington 14 0 13 20 - 47

W: Ernie Mello 1 run (Steve Stewart kick)

L: Demetri Brown 33 pass from Ramon Heredia (kick failed)

W: Mello 9 run (Stewart kick)

L: Heredia 10 run (kick failed)

W: Mello 2 run (Stewart kick)

W: Mello 9 run (pass failed)

L: Brown 67 pass from Devin Montanez (rush failed)

W: Mello 9 run (Kyle Moon rush)

L: Ruben Sosa 2 run (Jose Valdez pass from Heredia)

W: Mello 51 run (rush failed)

L: Heredia 4 run (Brown kick)

W: Mello 22 run (kick failed)

Team Statistics

| | L | W |
|-----------------|---------|--------|
| First Downs | 14 | 22 |
| Rushes-Yards | 10-68 | 55-475 |
| Passing-Att-Int | 15-29-1 | 6-9-0 |
| Passing Yards | 332 | 52 |
| Total Yards | 400 | 527 |
| Fumbles-Lost | 3-2 | 3-2 |
| Penalties-Yards | 4-25 | 7-85 |

Individual Statistics

Rushing: W, Ernie Mello 41-375; Corey Groves 8-63; Steve Stewart 3-39, Kyle Moon 3 - (-2); L, Henry Blanco 1-32, Ramon Heredia 7-27, Ruben Sosa 2-9.

Passing: W, Kyle Moon 6-for-9, 52 yards, 0 TDs, 0 INTs; Ramon Heredia 14-for-28, 265 yards, 1 TD, 1 INT; Devin Montanez 1-for-1, 67 yards, 1 TD, 0 INTs.

Receiving: W, Mike Manganelli 2-22, Ernie Mello 2-19, Steve Stewart 1-6, Corey Groves 1-5; L, Demetri Brown 5-168, Devin Montanez 5-99, Michael Cazatta 2-46; Ruben Sosa 4-10.

WILMINGTON FOOTBALL STATS

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|-----------------|---------|----|----|---------|------|
| Opponents | 6 | 16 | 6 | 28 | -56 |
| Wilmington | 34 | 22 | 26 | 26 | -108 |
| Team Stats | | | | | |
| | Opp | | | W | |
| First Downs | 33 | | | 49 | |
| Rushes-Yards | 60-202 | | | 128-953 | |
| Pass-Att-Int | 32-68-2 | | | 11-23-0 | |
| Passing Yards | 563 | | | 121 | |
| Total Yards | 765 | | | 1,074 | |
| Penalties-Yards | 12-80 | | | 13-145 | |
| Fumbles-Lost | 8-4 | | | 7-3 | |

Passing: Kyle Moon 11-for-21, 121 yards, 0 TDs, 0 INTs; Steve Stewart 0-for-1; Matt Kincaid 0-for-1.

Rushing: Ernie Mello 87-752, 14 TDs; Corey Groves 18-134, TD, Steve Stewart 9-61, Ryan Searles 2-3, Jonathan Parrella 1-3, Kyle Moon 5-2, Matt Kincaid 3-0.

Receiving: Mike Manganelli 4-48, Ernie Mello 4-45, Evan Borseti 1-17, Steve Stewart 1-6, Corey Groves 1-5.

- Compiled by Jamie Pote -

you would see in a movie, a fairy tale or some out of sight milestone to be reached. The 5-foot-9, 165-pounder carried the ball 42 times, scoring seven times, while rushing for nearly 400 yards all the while helping the Wilmington High Football team to improve to 3-0, in a wild back-and-forth, 47-33, ballgame that included 927 total yards of offense and 12 end zone celebrations.

Wilmington ended the night with 527 total yards of offense including 475 on the ground. Mello had all but 100 of those, as Corey Groves was terrific

getting a lot of carries and I don't even know how many he got tonight," said Almeida.

Well coach, he had over 40 ... 42 to be exact.

"What? That's almost child abuse right there," answered a very surprised Almeida. "That's pretty damn good right there. That's a lot of carries. How could he do that? I mean he's pretty tough. No one can ever question Ernie's toughness. And the offensive line kept buckling up and going back out there and getting it done again because we kept needing to score."

ness its pass defense. Lancers' quarterback Ramon Heredia completed a 33-yard TD pass to Demetri Brown on third-and-ten making it 7-6 as the PAT kick failed.

Again Wilmington countered back. On the fifth play of the ensuing drive, Mello went up the gut for a 19-yard run which followed immediately with his 9-yard touchdown run. Stewart nailed the extra point and Wilmington led 14-6.

Both teams exchanged turnovers, and Lawrence fol-

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Wildcats get offensive in win over Lawrence

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lowed with a long drive down to the Wildcat 6 yard line but turned the ball over on downs after an incomplete pass.

Wilmington followed with a three-and-out but managed to pin the Lancers down to its 31 yard line after a monstrous 56-yard punt by Evan Borseti. Yet the Lancers found a way to climb out of the hole stringing together a 8-play scoring drive. The first seven plays all were in the air with Heredia completing 5-of-6 passes for 63 yards before running in a 10-yard QB keeper call for his first score of the game. The conversion rush failed and the Wildcats had a 14-12 halftime lead.

While the first half had four scores, two from each team, the second half was completely off the charts. Consider what happened here. Wilmington started the third quarter off with an 8-play, 74-yard drive with Mello ending it with a 2-yard run. Don Melanson gave Wilmington the ball back one play later after he recovered a Lawrence fumble. Then Wilmington put together a 5-play scoring drive capped off

by Mello's 9-yard run making it 27-12 with 4:23 to go in the third quarter.

But on the very next play from scrimmage, Lawrence's Devin Montanez took the hand-off before stopping in his tracks and unloading a 67-yard half-back option pass to an absolutely wide open Brown putting the Lancers back in the game at 27-18 after the conversion attempt fell short.

Again Wilmington countered. This time they kept the ball on the ground for all but one of the 11 plays, including Mello scoring his third touchdown in a span of 12:03, this one coming on a 9-yard run to his left, and quarterback Kyle Moon's conversion rush was good giving Wilmington a 35-18 lead.

Over the next 1:58, three more touchdowns were scored. It took two plays before Lawrence found the end zone again as Ruben Sosa scored on a two-yard carry up the middle which came after Chris Derian saved a touchdown by dragging down Montanez at the two yard line after his 59-yard screen pass reception. Sosa's touchdown,

and Brown's catch on the two-point conversion made it a 35-26 score with less than nine minutes to go.

That short deficit lasted one play as Mello took the ball on the first play from scrimmage 51 yards up the middle for his sixth touchdown of the game, giving Wilmington a 41-26 lead as the conversion rush failed. Then three plays later Lawrence answered as Heredia scored his second touchdown, this one on a 4-yard scamper which came after a 60-yard pass completion. Brown's PAT kick was good and Lawrence cut the lead down to one possession at 41-33 with 7:59 remaining in the game.

Lawrence had scored three touchdowns on just seven scrimmage plays with 191 yards of offense. Wilmington, to that point of Heredia's touchdown, had scored its three touchdowns on 25 plays from scrimmage and 202 total yards of offense.

Almeida was asked about the his team's struggled defensively especially with the passing game. He elected to avoid the question.

"The offensive line was terrific and Ernie was really, really good and Evan Borseti blocked really well on his end," said Almeida.

Now ahead by the one possession, Wilmington kept the ball

on the ground all six plays of its next drive and Mello scored his seventh touchdown of the game and 14th in just three games, on a 27-yard run up the middle capping the game's scoring out. Borseti came up with a huge interception on the Wildcat 31 yard line with less than four minutes left in the game to end any possibility of the Lancers finding the end zone again.

Almeida said he wasn't surprised with the talent that Lawrence brought to Alumni Stadium.

"We knew it wasn't going to be an easy game," said Almeida. "We were very concerned with their quarterback, obviously he had a very good game throwing the ball. But we were actually more concerned with his run-

ning game. He's a real good athlete. Actually you all saw it out there they have some really good athletes. They have a bunch of tall, fast kids that play very well.

"(Brown) was very hard to cover. Very hard. Honestly their offense was terrific tonight and they scored a lot of points."

Wilmington is now 3-0 with the win, beating Belmont (non-league) and Newburyport (small school opponent) and now Lawrence. On Friday night, the 'Cats will host Amesbury, who come into the game without a win.

"(To be 3-0) is awesome. We're getting it done. We scored enough points to win," said Almeida.

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

By virtue of and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by Linda Pessolano-Conlon to First Franklin Financial Corporation, dated October 20, 2004 and recorded with the Middlesex County (Northern District) Registry of Deeds at Book 17984, Page 252, of which mortgage Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, as Trustee for FFMLT Trust 2005-FF2 Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2005-FF2 is the present holder, for breach of the conditions of said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing, the same will be sold at Public Auction at 10:00 am, on October 11, 2007, on the mortgaged premises located at 35 Anthony Road, Tewksbury, Middlesex County, Massachusetts, all and singular the premises described in said mortgage,

TO WIT:

The land with the buildings thereon situated in Tewksbury, Middlesex County, Massachusetts shown as Lot #13A on a plan of land entitled "Plan of Land in Tewksbury, Mass. Dec. 13, 1955, Dana F. Perkins & Sons, Inc. Civil Engineers & Surveyors, Reading, Mass", recorded in Middlesex North District Registry of Deeds, Plan Book 87, Plan 45A and further bounded and described as follows:

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Northerly by land of William E. and Bertha A. Willis, as shown on said plan, by two (2) lines, 38.03 feet and 83.71 feet; and

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A certain parcel of land with the buildings thereon, situated in said Wilmington, shown as Lot A1 on a plan entitled, "Subdivision of Land in Wilmington, Mass., Owned by Blanche Alice McQuaid, dated November 10, 1949, made by Dana F. Perkins, Civil Engineer and Surveyor, to be recorded herewith, bounded and described as follows;

SOUTHERLY by Grove Avenue, as shown on said plan, fifty-seven and 08/100 (57.08) feet;

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Being a portion of the premises conveyed to me by Ralph G. Howe by deed dated April 1, 1935, recorded with Middlesex North District Deeds in Book 860, page 349.

Also a Certain Parcel of registered land, situated in said Wilmington, being bounded and described as follows:

SOUTHWESTERLY by Lot 152, about one hundred five (105) feet; NORTHWESTERLY by Silver Lake, nineteen (19) feet, more or less;

NORTHEASTERLY by lands now or formerly of Horace Caswell et al, and of Ralph G. Howe about one hundred fifteen and 6/10 (115.6) feet.

All of said boundaries are determined by the Land Court to be located as shown on subdivision plan 8860 drawn by C.H. Gannett, Civil Engineer, dated June 29, 1926, as approved by the Court, filed in the Land Registration Office, a copy of a portion of which is filed with Certificate of Title 3104 and said land in shown as Lot 151 on said plan.

Said registered land is subject to the rights and restrictions referred to in Certificate of Title No. 4729 in Registration Book 26, Page 281, so far as the same are now in force and applicable.

The above described premises are hereby conveyed subject to taxes assessed as of January 1, 1950, which the grantee hereby assumes and agrees to pay.

For mortgagors' title see deed registered with Middlesex County (Northern District) Registry of Deeds of the Land Court as Document No. 215482, as noted on Certificate of Title No. 36738, and

see also Book 15501, Page 44.

These premises will be sold and conveyed subject to and with the benefit of all rights, rights of way, restrictions, easements, covenants, liens or claims in the nature of liens, improvements, public assessments, any and all unpaid taxes, tax titles, tax liens, water and sewer liens and any other municipal assessments or liens or existing encumbrances of record which are in force and are applicable, having priority over said mortgage, whether or not reference to such restrictions, easements, improvements, liens or encumbrances is made in the deed.

TERMS OF SALE:

A deposit of Five Thousand (\$5,000.00) Dollars by certified or bank check will be required to be paid by the purchaser at the time and place of sale. The balance is to be paid by certified or bank check at Harmon Law Offices, P.C., 150 California Street, Newton, Massachusetts 02458, or by mail to P.O. Box 610389, Newton Highlands, Massachusetts 02461-0389, within thirty (30) days from the date of sale. Deed will be provided to purchaser for recording upon receipt in full of the purchase price. The description of the premises contained in said mortgage shall control in the event of an error in this publication.

Other terms, if any, to be announced at the sale.

WASHINGTON MUTUAL BANK F/K/A WASHINGTON MUTUAL BANK FA

Present holder of said mortgage

By its Attorneys,
HARMON LAW OFFICES, P.C.
150 California Street
Newton, MA 02458
(617) 558-0500
200706-0504 - GRY
9.12.07,9.19.07,9.26.07 5966

LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF WILMINGTON



INVITATION TO BID SURPLUS VEHICLES & EQUIPMENT

The Town of Wilmington is accepting sealed bids for the following surplus vehicles and equipment. Sealed bids must be submitted to the Town Manager, 121 Glen Road, Wilmington, MA 01887 by October 25, 2007 at 11:00 a.m. All bids must be clearly marked on the outside of the envelope with "Town of Wilmington 2007 Surplus Vehicles & Equipment Sale" and inside must contain the item number for which each bid is placed, the amount of the bid and the name and address of the bidder. All items will be sold to the highest responsible bidder.

VEHICLES

| Item | Number | Description |
|----------|--------------------------|-------------|
| Odometer | | |
| 2007-01 | 1997 Ford Crown Victoria | 134,437 |
| 2007-02 | 1997 Ford Crown Victoria | 147,379 |
| 2007-03 | 1995 Ford Crown Victoria | 117,326 |
| 2007-04 | 1998 Ford Crown Victoria | 122,640 |
| 2007-05 | 1998 Ford Crown Victoria | 97,764 |
| 2007-07 | 1986 Ford L800 Dump | 87,619 |
| 2007-08 | 1990 Dodge Caravan | 102,728 |
| 2007-09 | 1997 Chevy 3500 Dump | 94,833 |
| 2007-10 | 1998 Ford Crown Victoria | |

LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF WILMINGTON



PLANNING BOARD PUBLIC HEARING

In accordance with the provisions of M.G.L. Chapter 41, Sections 81-F and 81-G, the Planning Board will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, October 16, 2007 at 8:15 p.m. in Room 9, Town Hall, 121 Glen Road, Wilmington, MA on the application of Domenic Germano, 1830 Main Street, Tewksbury, MA 01876, seeking relief from the required roadway improvements for construction of a single family home for the property located on 18 New Hampshire Road, Wilmington Map 35 Parcel 56E as shown on the plan entitled: "Roadway Improvement Plan, Vermont Road, Wilmington, Mass." Dated: August 28, 2007; Scale: 1" = 20'; Professional Engineer: Peter J. Ogren, Hayes Engineering, Inc., 603 Salem Street, Wakefield, MA 01887.

A copy of the plan is on file at the Planning and Conservation Department, and may be inspected during the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Any person interested, or wishing to be heard on the proposed plan, should appear at the time and place designated.

Michael Sorrentino, Chair
Wilmington Planning Board
9.26.07,10.3.07 5977

LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF WILMINGTON



CONSERVATION COMMISSION PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that a Public Hearing will be held in Town Hall, Room 9, 121 Glen Road, Wilmington, MA 01887, on Wednesday, October 3, 2007 at 7:40 p.m. in compliance with the provisions of M.G.L. Chap. 131, Section 40, and 310 C.M.R. 10.00 on a Notice of Intent, filed by George Allan, 572 Boston Road, Billerica, MA 01821, owner & applicant. The applicant is proposing to raze an existing home and construct a new single-family home and septic system with associated site grading. This work is within the Riverfront Area and the 100-foot Buffer Zone of Bordering Vegetated Wetlands as designated by the MA Wetlands Protection Act, M.G.L. Chapter 131, Sect. 40 and 310 CMR 10.00. This property is located on Assessor's Map 31 Parcel 16, 15 Canal Street, Wilmington, MA 01887. A copy of the plan is on file at the Planning & Conservation Department, Room 6, Wilmington Town Hall, and may be inspected between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Judy Waterhouse, Chair
Conservation Commission
9.26.07 5973

LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF WILMINGTON



Board of Appeals

A public hearing will be held at the Town Hall, 121 Glen Road on October 15, 2007 at 7:00 p.m. on the following applications:

Case 42-07 Pamela J. Brown, Esq. Map 44 Parcel 89

To acquire a variance from Standard Dimensional Regulations (Table II) §5.2.3 to remove an existing dwelling and subdivide the lot into two nonconforming lots with insufficient width for property located at I Phillips Avenue.

Case 43-07 VIF Ballardvale LLC c/o Barlo Signs Map R2 Parcel 7

To acquire a variance from §6.3.5.1 a to amend Case 11-07 by installing a wall sign at 95.8 sq. feet where 94 sq. feet was approved for property located at 200 Ballardvale Street.

Case 44-07 David Newhouse Map 44 Parcel 120

To acquire a Special Permit in accordance with §6.1.6.4 to increase a nonconforming structure (one story addition 21 feet from the front lot line) for property located at 25 Taplin Avenue.

Case 45-07 Andre Vega Map 51 Parcel 33

To acquire a Special Permit in accordance with §6.1.6.4 to increase a nonconforming structure (two-story addition 28.8 feet from the front lot line) for property located at 2A State Street.

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Newburyport too much for girls

By JAMIE POTE
Sports Editor

Heading into Tuesday night's contest, the Newburyport High School girls soccer team had a perfect record at 6-0-0, but more impressively had scored 32 goals. It didn't take long before they kept that five plus goals a game average.

The Clippers scored just 2:44 into the game and added two more in a span of 50 seconds, as they stormed out to a 3-0 lead through the eighth minute of the Cape Ann League contest played under the lights at Alumni Field.

With the loss, Wilmington is now 1-3-2 on the season.

"I'm guessing they had their first five goals on about eight shots," said Wildcat head coach Sue Hendee. "But still they were all good, quality shots. That's certainly a team that knows how to play. They have played together for quite some time and they are still relative-

ly young with the core of their players juniors."

Newburyport jumped all over its chances early on and finished them off with the three goals. Wilmington, at times, stood around, or did some kicking and running, but at times through the rest of the first half and spurts in the second half played pretty well with nice passes, soft first touches and a good amount of scoring chances.

"We're still coming along and we're still a young team. This is probably the first time we faced a team that has this much skill. Masco was good but they were more physical than skilled, North Andover had some players with good skill, but (Newburyport) has 15 girls who can really play the game of soccer."

Newburyport added two more goals before the first half came to a close, and could've scored another one just 40 seconds into

the second half but Jackie Zaremba made a sensational diving tip save on a blast from Laura Muise. A minute later, Zaremba collided with a player and was forced from the game, making just the one save after relieving Leah Potcner, who started and finished the game making 9 saves, including one gem in the first half.

Wilmington ended up getting on the scoreboard in the 10th minute of the second half as Ashley Gonzales sent a nice cross pass from the right side-line to the near post where senior Katie Cole deposited a shot inside the left post to ruin the Clippers' shut out.

Before Tuesday night's game, Wilmington tied both Lynnfield and Ipswich this past week. Last Wednesday, goalie Potcner made 12 saves helping the 'Cats end in a scoreless tie with perennial league power Lynnfield. Danielle Polcari played well as a defender, as

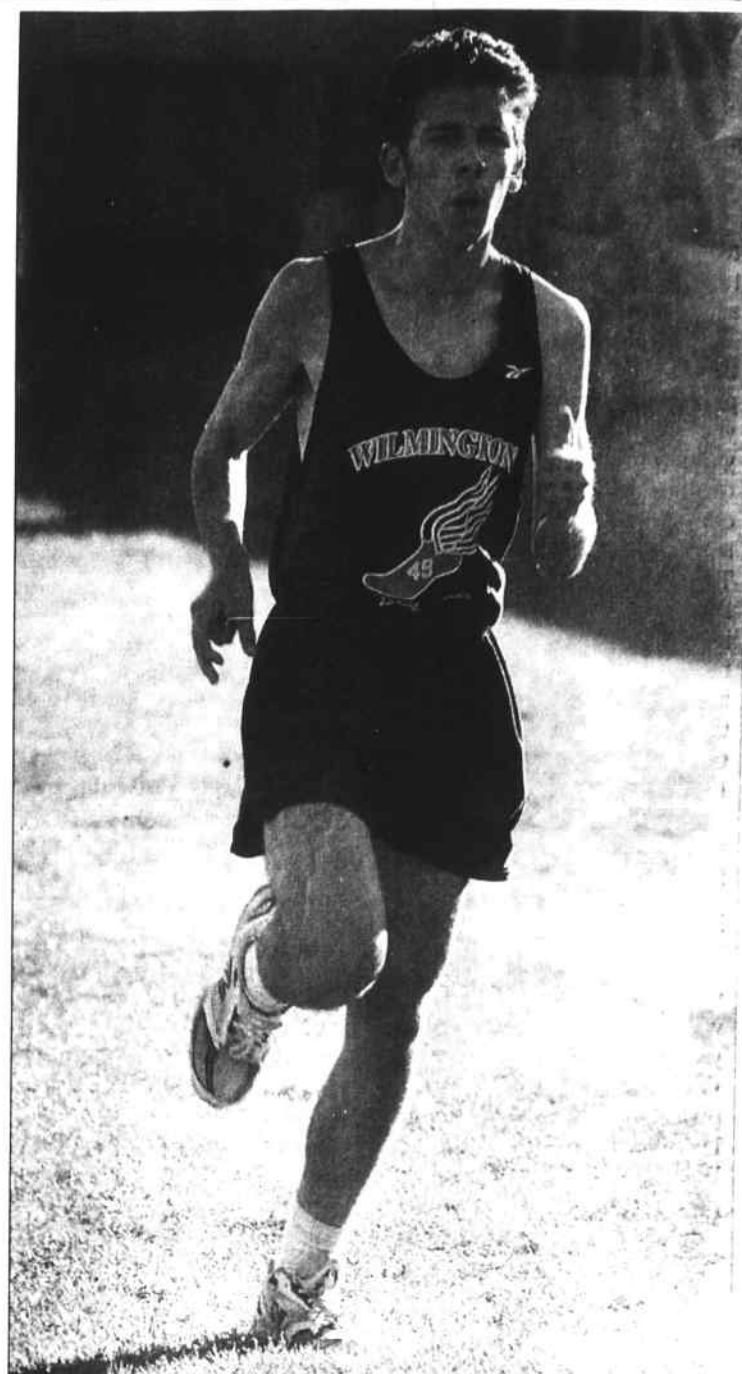
did midfielders Colleen Kennedy and Charlotte Jensen.

"We were lucky for the game to end 0-0," said Hendee. "They dominated play. They are not the Lynnfield team of the past but they did not have finishers."

Two days after the Lynnfield contest, Wilmington ended in a 1-1 tie with Ipswich. Jensen scored the lone goal of the game coming on a first half penalty kick 15 minutes into the game. Midfielders Lisa Rooker and Julie Braid played well, as did the keeper combination of Potcner (10 saves) and Zaremba, who combined to make 13 saves.

"We played well against Ipswich," said Hendee. "We had a lot of (scoring) opportunities and we carried a lot of the play."

Wilmington is on the road for its next two games facing North Reading on Thursday and Amesbury on Monday.



Wilmington's Andrew Marra finished second for the Wildcat boys cross country team during last Wednesday's meet held at the high school. (JoeBrownphotos.com)

Boys off to 4-0 start

By JAMIE POTE
Sports Editor

The good news is that the Wilmington High boys soccer team improved to 4-0-0 overall with its 1-0 win over Newburyport played Tuesday night on the road. The bad news is the 'Cats lost a key defender as Nick Robarge collided with another player and went down with three broken bones in his foot.

"Nick's a good defender and if his injury is long term it's going to hurt us," said head coach Steve Scanlon. "It just hurts your depth. That's something we've been doing good with but now it hurts us. Hopefully we can get (sophomore fullback) Gott (Saenchandi) back to help that problem."

Saenchandi played phenomenal defense last year as a freshman but is out with a foot injury.

Defensively, Wilmington has been terrific, with three straight shut outs this week including 2-0 wins over both Lynnfield and Ipswich.

"Defensively we're playing really well," said Scanlon. "Kids like J.J. Polcari, Chris Lavin and Andrew Goosens, who came on (Tuesday night) for Nick, have all been playing

well."

Overall though, despite the shutouts and the four wins, Scanlon said there has been some bumps in the road.

"We're playing well in spurts," said Scanlon. "(Tuesday night) we didn't play well in the first half but we came back and played good in the second half. Newburyport played well. They are physical but they've been having trouble finishing and scoring."

Wilmington was able to capitalize on its golden scoring chance as Jason Pereira nailed home his first goal of the season on assists from Carlton Lentini and Jon Spurr. Goalkeeper Vinny Papageorgiou made all three saves to record his third straight shutout.

Last Wednesday, the Wildcats blanked Lynnfield, 2-0, in its home opener. Senior Mike Condell scored both goals for the home town team, coming 25 seconds apart in the first half. The first came after keeper Papageorgiou's long punt landed on the foot of Matt Figueiredo, who passed the ball ahead to Condell who found the back of the net for what proved to be the game winning tally.

Then Condell scored again, 25 seconds later on a nice set-up

by Pereira making it 2-0.

Papageorgiou made five saves to record his first shut out of the season, but he was helped immensely by his teammates including defenders Polcari, Nick Farnsworth, Robarge and Chris Lavin, who all were instrumental in keeping one of the state's top scorers Mike Kennedy (7 goals in 3 games) off the board.

On Friday night, Wilmington again won via shut out blanking Ipswich, 2-0. Both Figueiredo and Ryan Kennedy had a goal and an assist, with the former's goal coming at the 21st minute of the first half and the latter's coming in the second half giving the 'Cats some breathing room.

Papageorgiou made 6 saves while notching his second shutout of the season, while, midfielder Brendan Doherty and stopper Farnsworth both had strong games for Wilmington.

Wilmington will host a very good North Reading team on Thursday afternoon at the North Intermediate and then will host Amesbury on Monday night at 6:00 pm at the high school.

Cross country teams lose tri-meets

By JAMIE POTE
Sports Editor

Both the Wildcat boys and girls cross country teams dropped both of its meets to Masconomet and Pentucket during a tri-meet held at the home course at the high school last Wednesday afternoon.

Masconomet, which brought six bus loads of members from both squads, beat the Wildcat boys 19-42 and the Wildcat girls 17-46. Pentucket, on the other hand, defeated the Wilmington boys 23-38 and the girls, 20-40.

The boys fell to 0-5 on the season and the girls are now 1-4.

In the boys competition, sophomore Tom Valente was terrific finishing just 11 seconds behind Pentucket's Eric McDonald, who is one of if not the best runner in the entire league. Andrew Marra also ran very well for the 'Cats finishing with a personal best time of 18:19. Jim DiNuccio, Eddie Silva and Zack Sears rounded out Wilmington's

top five.

"Masco is very good and Pentucket has the ace," said coach Tom Bradley. "We have to get our next three much closer to our top two to compete."

In the girls race, the news of the day belonged to Masconomet's Abby D'Agostino, who set the course record with a time of 18:50 while the second runner didn't come in until 57 seconds later. Wilmington's Natalie Russo finished at 20:22, followed by Nikki Sirignano and Ali Lyman, who both had personal bests of 21:14 and 21:43.

Kerri Spry and Lisa Hitchins finished fourth and fifth for Wilmington and Kristi Adley was a very nice surprise taking sixth for Wilmington at 23:21. Behind her were Michelle Filippi and Lauren Waring, who shaved an entire minute off her personal best time which is truly an incredible accomplishment. She finished with a time of 23:52.

recorded with Middlesex County (Northern District) Registry of Deeds in Book 6800, Page 255.

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Other terms, if any, to be announced at the sale.

COUNTRYWIDE HOME LOANS, INC.
Present holder of said mortgage.
By its Attorneys,
HARMON LAW OFFICES, P.C.
150 California Street
Newton, Ma 02458
(617) 558-0500
200705-1646-GRN

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LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF WILMINGTON



CONSERVATION COMMISSION PUBLIC MEETING

Notice is hereby given that a Public Meeting will be held in Town Hall, Room 9, 121 Glen Road, Wilmington, MA 01887, on Wednesday, October 3, 2007 at 7:10 p.m., in compliance with provisions of M.G.L. Chap. 131, Section 40, and 310 C.M.R. 10.00 on a Request for a Determination of Applicability, filed by Javier E. Horta & Michael J. Comerford, 2 Sequoia Drive, Wilmington, MA 01887, owners & applicants. The applicant is proposing to expand the driveway. This work is within the 100-foot buffer zone of bordering vegetated wetlands as designated by the MA Wetlands Protection Act, M.G.L. Chapter 131, Sect. 40 and 310 CMR 10.00. This property is shown on Assessor's Map 85 Parcel 16A, 2 Sequoia Drive, Wilmington, MA, 01887. A copy of the plan is on file at the Planning & Conservation Department, Room 6, Wilmington Town Hall, and may be inspected between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Judy Waterhouse, Chair
Conservation Commission
9.26.07 5974

LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF WILMINGTON



PLANNING BOARD

The Planning Board will hold a Public Hearing on October 16, 2007 at 8:45 p.m. at Town Hall, Room 9, 121 Glen Road, Wilmington, MA on Amendment to Site Plan Review #07-9, entitled, "Map 79 - Lot 31, 355 Middlesex Ave., Wilmington, MA 01887"; dated February 7, 2007, submitted on September 24, 2007 by Channel Building Company, 355 Middlesex Avenue, Wilmington, MA 01887; prepared by Professional Engineer James R. Comeau, Pennoni Associates Inc., 100 Burt Road, Suite 120, Andover, MA 01810. Said property is located at 355 Middlesex Avenue and shown on Assessor's Map 79 Parcel 31. This project is to change a previously proposed 2,700 sq ft "Bank" to 3,525 sq ft limited service Restaurant. The changes will include revised traffic pattern and driveway entrance for the drive-through window and added traffic signs.
A copy of the plan is on file at the Planning & Conservation Department and may be inspected during the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Any person interested, or wishing to be heard on the proposed plan, should appear at the time and place designated.

Michael Sorrentino, Chair
Wilmington Planning Board
9.26.07,10.3.07 5980

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TOWN OF WILMINGTON



CONSERVATION COMMISSION PUBLIC MEETING

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Judy Waterhouse, Chair
Conservation Commission
9.26.07 5975

LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF WILMINGTON



CONSERVATION COMMISSION PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that a Public Hearing will be held in Town Hall, Room 9, 121 Glen Road, Wilmington, MA 01887, on Wednesday, October 3, 2007 at 7:20 p.m. in compliance with the provisions of M.G.L. Chap. 131, Section 40, and 310 C.M.R. 10.00 on a Notice of Intent, filed by Michael McManus, 16 Dorchester Street, Wilmington, MA 01887, applicant; Michael McManus Trustee - Chelsea Realty Trust, owner. The applicant is proposing to construct a single family home and septic system with associated site grading. This work is within the 100-foot Buffer Zone of Bordering Vegetated Wetlands as designated by the MA Wetlands Protection Act, M.G.L. Chapter 131, Sect. 40 and 310 CMR 10.00. This property is located on Assessors Map 11 Parcel 4, 18 Dorchester Street, Wilmington, MA 01887. A copy of the plan is on file at the Planning & Conservation Department, Room 6, Wilmington Town Hall, and may be inspected between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Judy Waterhouse, Chair
Conservation Commission
9.26.07 5972

LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF WILMINGTON



WILDWOOD CEMETERY RULES AND REGULATIONS AND RATES

The Cemetery Commission of the Town of Wilmington will hold a Public Hearing on October 12, 2007 at 11:00 am in Room 9 of the Wilmington Town Hall at 121 Glen Road to consider revised Rules and Regulations and Rates governing the operation of the Wildwood Cemetery.

Any interested party that would like to comment on the revised Rules and Regulations or Rates is welcome to attend the public hearing.

A copy of the revised Rules and Regulations and Rates is available for viewing in the Cemetery Office at the Town Hall between the hours of 8:30 am to 4:30 pm (Mon-Fri.)

Additional information may be obtained by calling the Department of Public Works at 978-658-4481.

Donald N. Onusseit
Superintendent of Public Works
9.26.07 5979

Have a Sports Story

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Deadline is Monday 5 p.m.

Pop Warner program continues to grow



The Wilmington Pop Warner A Team Cheerleaders going through a routine during Monday night's practice held at the Glen Road School.

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President Smith leading the way

By MIKE GIANNATTASIO
Sports Correspondent

At 5:30 a.m. on Sunday, most people were enjoying their days off by catching up on sleep. This is not the case for the many hard working volunteer coaches who were spending their Sunday mornings preparing the fields for the Wilmington Pop Warner games that run from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Led by President Debbie Smith, the Wilmington Pop Warner league is off to another successful year. After coaching two national Pop Warner championship teams in Medford, Smith moved to Wilmington and began coaching Wilmington Pop Warner cheerleading in 1998. With her coaching and help from many other coaching volunteers, she says, "We built our own cheerleading dynasty right here."

"We actually took the first team ever from Wilmington to the New England Regional championship," said Smith. "They just missed qualifying for nationals that year, but they went the next year and the A

exception of Nancy Sullivan, presently the Wilmington high school coach, who I coached with. To see the kids turn into young and responsible adults, I'd like to think that I had a little part of that."

While the Wilmington Pop Warner cheerleading is very successful, Smith also likes the fact that the kids have the opportunity to represent the town of Wilmington.

"We have about seven or eight kids on the girl's side and the boy's side that will probably make it to the Pop Warner Little Scholars," said Smith. "These kids are A students, and are involved in many other activities besides football or cheerleading. Not just these kids, but all the kids in the program have enormous pride to be from Wilmington, Mass when they play other towns or get into regional competitions. They're not just Wilmington Pop Warner, but they represent Wilmington as an entire community."

Smith also says she attributes most of the program success to

directors try to do everything they can to make Sunday's fun and affordable for the kids and parents. Each participant in football or cheerleading pays \$250.00 for equipment, jerseys, practice time, referees, EMT's, three scrimmages and eight games.

Unlike youth football leagues, Pop Warner programs have to play all their games on Sundays and they play against other towns. The competition in games is at a greater level because they play against other communities, and Smith likes that it draws more people onto the field to watch the games.

"I don't know if we would get the same turnout if the teams just played each other all the time," said Smith. "When the A games play each other, there is a huge crowd down here. Even some of the high school coaches and players come down to watch the games. I love it though because Wilmington is a huge football town."

While Smith realizes that football and cheerleading are sports to have fun and win com-

Cheerleading going to another level

Minghella, others, give back to program and kids

By MIKE GIANNATTASIO
Sports Correspondent

If it was not for the dedication and commitment of the volunteer cheerleading coaches, President Debbie Smith thinks the Wilmington Pop Warner program would not be as successful as it is today. She likes the fact that the cheerleading coaches in the program went through Wilmington Pop Warner as kids, and are now college graduates who are donating their time back to the program.

"We do not have any mom coaches on the teams," she said. "We have college cheerleaders and kids that have cheered in high school or college and are now donating back."

One of these cheerleading coaches who volunteers her time to the program is Nicole Minghella, a recent graduate of UMASS Dartmouth and a member of the 2005 NCAA championship national team. Throughout her life, Minghella has always been a successful cheerleader, but Debbie thinks the time she puts into the Wilmington Pop Warner program is more important because it shows how great of a person she is.

"Nicole gives it everything she has," said Smith. "She picks up the kids from school to

get them to practice, and she takes the kids to get them something to eat before or after practice. Whole-heartily, this is what she cares about."

"She also does choreography all over the country, and yet she donates her time, because it's volunteer, to Wilmington Pop Warner. That to me is something you just do not get, and coaches like Nicole make this program so successful."

Minghella has always had a passion for cheerleading, as evident with the amount of hours she puts into the program and the fact that she has been a cheerleader all her life.

"I started my cheerleading career in this program, and I had Debbie as a coach. After Pop Warner, I cheered in high school and then at UMASS Dartmouth."

At UMASS Dartmouth, Minghella says "it was the best moment ever" when her team won the championship. "If you are a cheerleader and you have one goal in life, it is to go to college and win a national championship."

Minghella also says she does not know if she would have won a championship if she did not go through the Pop Warner program as kid.

"From Pop Warner, your admirations would be to go from high school to college and make the competitive team.

This happened to me, and we won which was a great experience," she said.

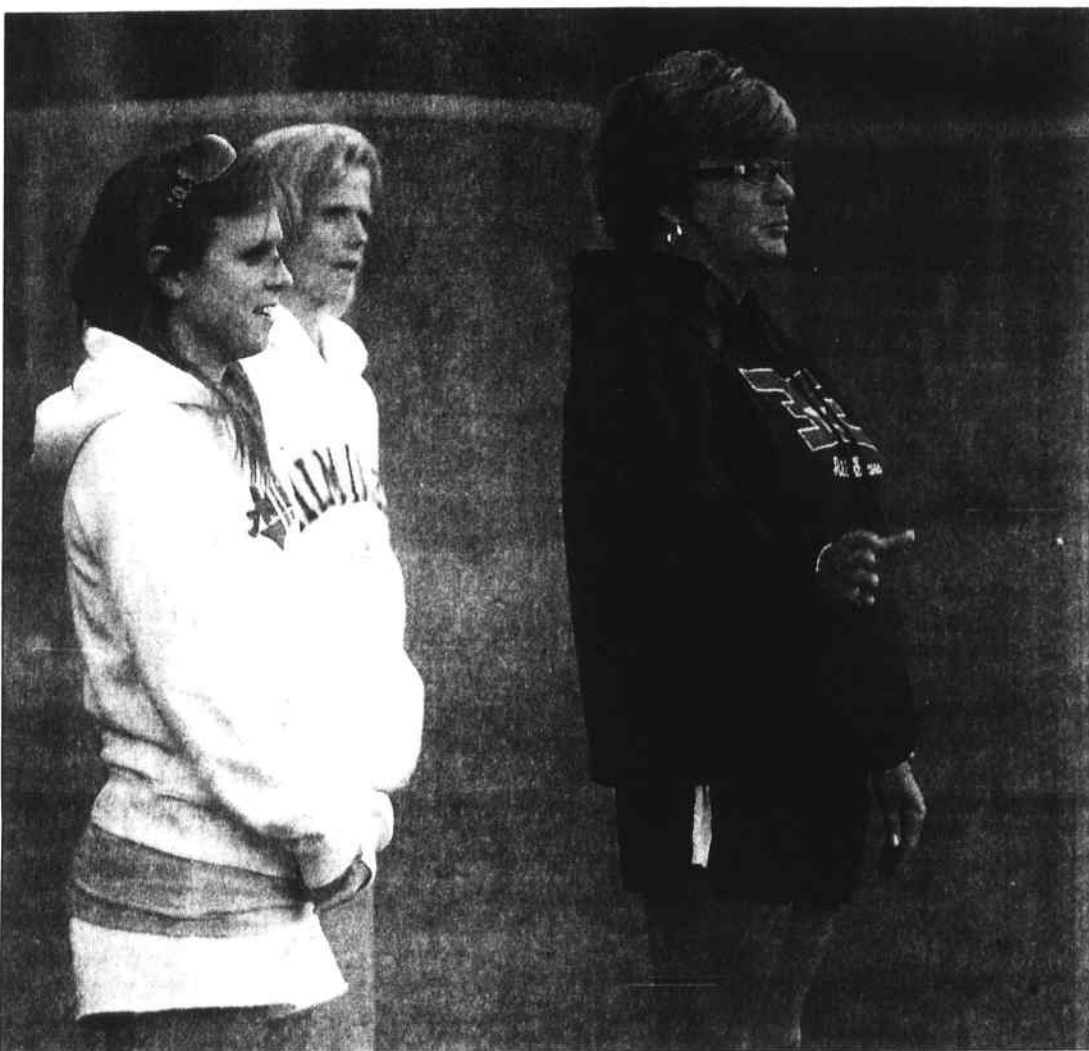
Balancing being a cheerleading coach with other priorities in life can be challenging, but Nicole seems to enjoy it.

"I coached in high school, and then I did summer coaching and came home from the games and competitions while I was in college. Now, I work with my father and it's easy because I go in early and come home around 4:30 which allows me to come here at 5:00 and coach," she said.

Minghella also likes that being a cheerleader comes with more than having fun and winning competitions.

"If you're a cheerleader, you get to be part of the community, you get to be part of the team, and the people that your teammates with will be your friends forever because you worked together towards one goal," she said. "This is true for me because the people I cheered with in Pop Warner are now my best friends."

As a cheerleading coach, the No. 1 goal Nicole has for the younger cheerleaders is to, "set your goals high and never stop working at it, because eventually you can become a national champion and that is everyone's goal."



Wilmington Pop Warner President Debbie Smith (far right) has been with the program since 1998. Nicole Minghella (near left) has gone through the program as a cheerleader and is now back coaching

(JoeBrownphotos.com)

team cheerleaders have been going to Nationals since 1999. We finished with a whole lot of fourth and second place finishes and our A team has back-to-back championships from 05-06 and going back again for 07."

Not only is Smith proud of the success they have, but she is also very grateful for the fact these girls come back year after year and give back to the program.

"Cheerleading is a sport that teaches teamwork, and it shows when these kids turn around as young adults and give back to the community what was given to them," said Smith. "Every coach in the cheerleading side has cheered for me with the

dedication from the coaches, the parents and the kids."

"It's a huge commitment. It's four nights a week throughout August and then three nights a week when school starts," she said. "Everyone knows though that with the parent's work schedule, school work, and CCD and other activities, it's difficult for them to find the time and we realize that."

Additionally to coaching cheerleading, Smith also serves as the Wilmington Pop Warner League President. From holding fundraisers that involve the winner getting tickets to any national sporting event to refurbishing all the helmets, Smith and the board of the

petitions, she also knows that they come with a hefty price. Because football and cheerleading are the two highest injury prone sports, the insurance the Wilmington Pop Warner program has to pay is very expensive. There are also other factors that contribute to the cost of making the Wilmington Pop Warner program an annual success.

"We needed 80 new shoulder pads this year; we replaced the thigh and knee pads and this just on the boy's side," said the President. "On the girl's side, we try to order new uniforms every year. We just ordered new

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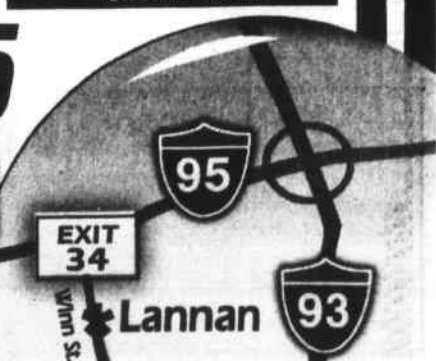
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How long have you been Vice President of the Wilmington Pop Warner Program and how did you get involved?

This is my second year as Vice President and I have been involved in the program for eight years as a coach and athletic director.

What are your duties as VP?

I work closely with President Debbie Smith to make sure the program runs smoothly, and I oversee the football players and cheerleaders to make sure they are learning the game and improving each day.

What are some of your goals for this season? What would you like to accomplish?

Most importantly, I hope the kids have fun. I also hope that many of the football players and the cheerleaders improve each day by learning from the coaches, and I hope all the parents are enjoying themselves as they watch their son or daughter participate in the games.

Since becoming Vice President, what improvements have been made?

Each year, we try to order new equipment and uniforms for the kids. Also, we pay more attention to each kid as an individual to make sure they are having a good time but improving at the same time.

Where did you grow up and what sports did you play in high school?

I grew up in Wilmington, and I graduated from Wilmington High School in 1998 where I played football.

What do you enjoy doing in your spare time?

Besides football, I work but football is my life thing. I put a lot of time into this program to help it and help the kids. That's the big enjoyment for me.

If the kids in the program asked you about Michael Vick and dog-fighting and/or steroids amongst professional athletes, how would you explain this to them?

You got to let them know that these things are legally wrong. These kids should not be doing these things on their own. Everyone's got their idols that they look up to, but they should not be looking up to athletes who are involved in illegal activities or cheat to win. Just be a good person and that will transport itself into having a great life.

What did you do towards the end of the summer before the football season?

I just got ready for the football season and put everything in place to make sure it was a successful season.

What is your favorite sports movie of all time?

It has definitely got to be Any Given Sunday.

Best and worst part about being Vice President?

The best part is seeing the kids happy and there is no worst. I enjoy it all, just making sure all the kids and parents are enjoying themselves and having fun.

Text by Mike Giannattasio

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Wilmington Pop Warner Vice President



Pop Warner continues to grow

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uniforms for two girl's teams and it cost the program over \$16,000. We put a lot into the program, and I think it shows."

Even with the success the Wilmington Pop Warner program is having, it's not stopping Smith from having more goals for the future.

"Next year, I hope that all of our E team players return because it will seem like the program is doing something right if we can get all our younger players to come back," she said. "I also want to be in a financial position to get some new football equipment, and I am hoping we will be able to do this through our fundraising efforts."

"I also hope three of our football teams make it to the playoffs, and it would really be great if one of the football teams gets to nationals in Disney World. On the girl's side, I am hoping the four cheerleading teams go to the Nationals, and I think it's on our way to happen."

While these are goals the program strives for, Smith's main objective is that all the kids, coaches, and parents are happy and having fun.

"When everyone comes down, the program's biggest goal is to make sure that they are enjoying themselves," she said.

Kenney back on the sidelines

By MIKE GIANNATTASIO
Sports Correspondent

Like the cheerleading coaches, the football coaches are equally dedicated to making sure the kids in the Wilmington Pop Warner Program are having fun and improving their skills throughout each practice and game. Whereas other youth sports have fathers coaching their son's teams, most of Wilmington Pop Warner's football coaches have no family members on the team, and they only coach because they are dedicated to seeing the players on their teams improving, having fun, and being successful. It is obvious that these coaches who give their time to the program love coaching football and seek nothing in return.

A prime example of a football coach who is committed to the Wilmington Pop Warner program is Don Kenney, who has been part of the program for eight years and has no family involved. Like all the volunteer football coaches in the program, Don does not get paid, and he coaches the team every practice and game on a volunteer basis.

Kenney says the best part

about being a coach in the program is "teaching the kids to play the game and seeing them improve each day."

Throughout the week, his players practice hard and he loves it when his players are improving. This is why he looks forward to seeing his team doing the best to win on game days, but he also looks forward to seeing "the success of the players for their hard work during the week."

To a kid who is just starting to play football, he tells them, "to always pay attention and learn, no matter how much playing time you get because it will be rewarding in the end."

Even though the team he coaches is off to a 1-2 start, he always makes sure they do not get down on themselves and that they, "try hard and get better each day."

All the volunteer football coaches in the Pop Warner program is the reason that many kids come out and play to learn the game. Not only do the Wilmington Pop Warner coaches teach kids how to play football, but they do everything they can to make sure each individual is having fun and improving each day.

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Pop Warner A team battles tough Woburn team

On Sunday Wilmington, Pop Warner A-team, came up against Woburn. Matt McKenna, Matt Ferreira, and John Parsons cross the field for the coin toss. The toss is won by Woburn, and they kick off to Wilmington. Wilmington has come to play this weekend, after being plagued by injuries the past few weeks. First the loss of Scott Layton to a severe knee injury in the first game of the season. Then the loss of both, Steven Reynolds and Killian Smith the past two games to concussions.

The first line offense of Nathan Downs, Matt Ferreira, John Parsons, Matt McKenna, Kyle Albanese, Ed DeLucia, Jim Welch, Jake Long, Alex Furlong, Joe King, and Trevor Foley, take the field and wait for the first kick of the game. The whole line does a good job of holding Woburn back, while Jim Welch creates a hole for John Parsons, who will gain five yards. Second down and there is a flag on the play, (off sides on Wilmington). John Parsons will get the ball again for a gain of three, and just shy of the first down.

The next play will bring a beautiful run by Jim Welch for about six yards and a first down for the Cats. Cats suffer a loss of yards, when Woburn breaks through the line, and takes down our quarterback, but then Matt McKenna will have a gain of three yards, with another nice block by Jim Welch, but not enough for a first down and the punting team takes the field.

Matt Ferreira gets the ball to John Parsons, for a great punt of about thirty yards. Woburn will take over, but against the awesome defense of, Matt Costello, Ed DeLucia, Kyle Albanese, Jake Long, John Parsons, Jim Welch, Matt Ferreira, Matt McKenna, Nathan Downs, Alex Furlong, and Alex Danas. This has been a hard working defense, with a lot of heart, and they need this win.

Woburn will come up with no gain of yardage, with great holding by Alex Furlong, Jake Long, Kyle Albanese, Trevor Foley, and Alex Danas, while being taken down by Jim Welch, John Parsons and Matt McKenna. There will be a flag against Woburn on the next play, they will repeat the down, with John Parsons breaking through the line for the take down and another loss of yardage for Woburn. Another flag on Woburn, for a false start, and the next play, they will be runned by Matt Costello, Nathan Downs, and Jake Long, for no gain. After two incomplete passes and an almost interception by Matt McKenna, Wilmington will take over.

Woburn will punt the ball and there is a fumble on the play, but Wilmington will recover the ball. Wilmington will receive a flag for a false start, there will be an incomplete pass to Nathan Downs and John Parsons will have to punt

again. Jim Welch will have a tremendous take down, for no gain by Woburn. Panic sets in as Nathan Downs comes out with an injury to his knee. This team cannot afford to lose another player, but they keep plugging without Nathan. Matt Ferreira will have a nice tackle, and then great coverage by Matt McKenna for an incomplete pass. John Parsons gets a great read on Woburn's quarterback, and will take him down for a loss of ten yards, and it's Wilmington's ball.

John will get a gain of about three yards on the next play, with good blocks by Cam Babine and Jim Welch. Next play, John Parsons will have a run up the sidelines for a gain of eight, and it's a first down again for the cats. What a first down it will be, with a great run up the middle by Jim Welch for a touchdown. It looked like there would be no extra points for the cats, but a flag for roughing the kicker is thrown and the cats get a second chance. Great teamwork on the line by Jake Long, Trevor Foley, Nick D'Amelio, Ed DeLucia, Alex Furlong, and Kyle Albanese, and an awesome block by Jim Welch, allow John Parsons to run it in for the extra points.

Woburn will get the ball, but to no avail, with the great defense of Wilmington. Wilmington will force Woburn to throw a series of incomplete passes and will take possession of the ball again. Nathan Downs will run for five yards, and on the next play he will catch a beautiful pass by Matt Ferreira, for another gain of ten yards. Matt McKenna will also have a great run for ten yards, only to be brought back with a flag on the play. Matt will have a gain of six more yards, but the second down will result in a fumble and it will be Woburn's ball. This will end the first half of the game.

The Cats will start the second half on defense again. Woburn's first two downs will end with take downs by Matt McKenna and John Parsons. There third down will result in a fumble and be recovered by Jim Welch, to give the ball to Wilmington again. Matt Costello will gain three yards, while Ed DeLucia gains five, unfortunately on the third down the cats will be called off sides and the punting team will come in. John Parsons will be forced to punt into the wind with no gain this time.

Woburn has a nice pass, bringing them to the fifty yard line, but Matt Costello will have a nice tackle and hold Woburn back, as will Patrick Dunn with a great tackle of his own. This defense is definitely letting Woburn know their here to play. Woburn's third down will be no different, with a Woburn player being stuffed by Patrick Dunn, John Parsons, and d Jim Welch. Next play Matt Costello will rush the line and take down a Woburn player and the cats take over again.

Matt Ferreira will gain five

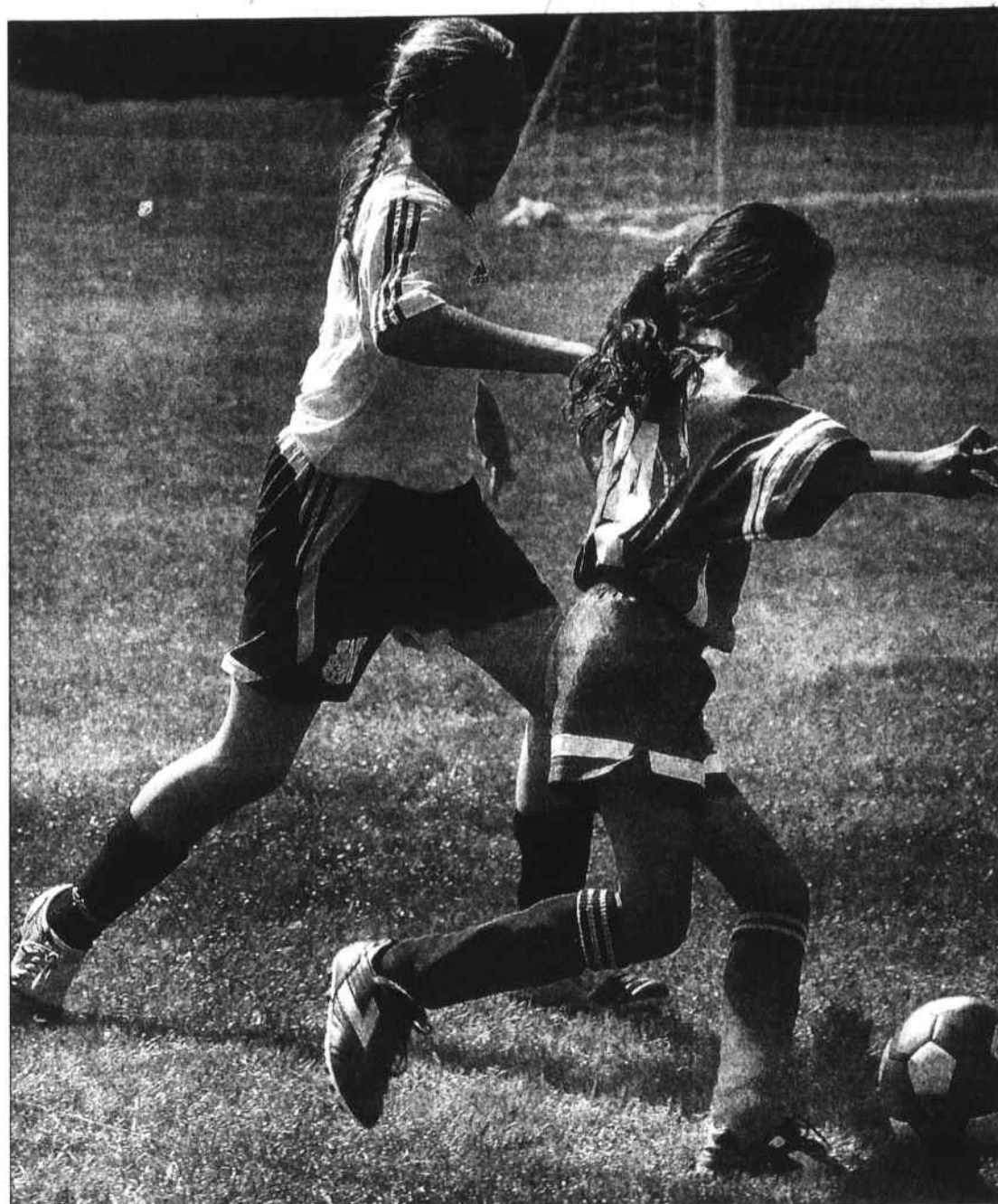
on the return, while first down will result in an off sides call against Wilmington. Ed DeLucia will gain three, matt McKenna will gain two, but it will not be enough and the punting team comes in. No wind this time and John Parsons has a beautiful 35-yard kick. Flag on the play and an off side on Woburn. A first down tackle by Jake Long and John Parsons, a second down tackle by Matt Costello, and a incomplete pass being covered by Matt McKenna, as Cam Babine will slap down a pass attempt by Woburn's quarterback to the disappointment of Woburn again, and it's Cats ball.

Matt Ferreira will throw a pass up the middle to Kyle Albanese, who with his great hands has no problem catching the ball, and gaining about seven yards for Wilmington. Matt McKenna will have a great catch of his own, but with a flag on the play, the ball will be brought back. Wilmington will not get their first down this time, but Woburn will not get a first down either, with incomplete passes and take downs by Matt Ferreira and Matt McKenna.

Wilmington will have a fumble recovered by Pat Dunn, Matt McKenna will gain four yards, before another fumble, but luckily, Alex Danas was there to recover the ball, and let the cats continue to push forward. Jim Welch again will create a hole to let John Parsons gain five yards, and on the next down, John Parsons will have a nice run for a gain of 15 yards. This time the ball will be passed off to Jim Welch for a run and a gain of eight yards. Woburn will be called for off sides, to get the ball closer to the end zone for Wilmington. Another combination of blocking from Jim Welch and running by John Parsons will result in the second touchdown of the day. The extra point will be gained by a run from Nathan Downs.

Woburn will try one last time with no success, with a knock down pass by Matt Costello, a well-covered pass by Jim Welch and Matt McKenna and a take down by John Parsons. It will once again be Wilmington's ball, with a seven yard gain by Jim Welch, and on the second down, Wilmington will take a knee, ending the game with a score of 14-0.

None of the great plays today would be possible without all the great blocking of the whole line. Thank you to all the coaches for their time and hard work. Thank you to the cheerleaders and their coaches for their support at every game, and thank to the parents for all you do for these kids and this program. One last thank you to Wayne Parsons and Mike Welch for doing the chains, Lou Cimaglia for doing the books and Tricia Welch, our team mother, for all of her behind the scenes hard work.



Alyssa Cieplik (left) turns a Somerville offenseman back helping insure the win for Wilmington's U12-4 Travel Soccer Team during Saturday's match at Tufts University field.

(courtesy photo)



Wilmington U12-4 Travel soccer's, Kristen Maranzini, thwarts an offensive rush by a Somerville Highlander during Saturday's away victory.

(courtesy photo)

Under 12-4 Girls keep streak alive

The Wilmington GU12-4 youth travel soccer team has extended their unbeaten streak to seven games.

After winning the North Reading Tournament over Labor Day, the girls began the regular season at Woburn on a sultry hot early fall day. Amanda Richards started the scoring early in the game finishing off a beautiful crossing pass from Heather Benson. Kelly Hartsough added a goal after Amanda made a nifty backpass to her at the eighteen yard line. Kelly blasted it to the far side and it was quickly 2-0. The balance of the game became a survival contest as the temperature soared.

Woburn pushed a goal across late to make it 2-1 but outstanding goalkeeping by Heather Benson and Katherine McKenna continuously thwarted the opposing team rushes. Wilmington fans had one last

scare with one minute left in the game. A Woburn attacker made a beautiful cross to her teammate but, Heather was there to deflect it away. The Wildcat defense, led by Kerry Ryan Alyssa Cieplik and Caitlin Derrickson once again played flawlessly.

The Wildcats opened their home season with Somerville coming to the pitch at Shawshen. In a dramatic change from the week before, this game began in a downpour. Both teams came ready to play and Somerville took the early lead 1-0. From that point on, the Wildcats took command of the game. Two goals by Amanda Richards, a left footed blast by Heather Benson, an

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The Wilmington Pop Warner A youth football team goes through a warm-up running drill during Monday night's practice held at the Glen Road School.

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Shawsheen Tech Football off to strong start

Rams dominate in all facets of the game

By MIKE IPPOLITO
Sports Correspondent

BILLERICA - The Shawsheen Tech football team dominated in all aspects of the game on Saturday afternoon at Samuel J. Cassidy Field, rolling to a 33-0 victory over Northeast Regional in a CAC crossover battle that was big for many reasons.

The victory not only improved the Rams to 3-0 on the season, but it also gave Shawsheen coach Al Costabile the 100th victory of his career, which began at Bishop Fenwick. Costabile is in his 15th year as a head coach on the varsity level and his 10th at Shawsheen.

The Rams left little doubt as to whether they would pick up Costabile's milestone victory in this one, rolling to a 20-0 half-time lead and never looking back, holding Northeast to a total of 12 first half yards, including (-3) rushing. For the game the Rams held the Golden Knights to a total of 85 total yards, while piling up 365 of their own.

The bulk of the Rams offense was provided by senior quarter-

back Joe Gore of Wilmington who threw for 225 yards and three touchdowns, including scoring passes of 90 and 59 yards on consecutive possessions in the first half. Shawsheen started the scoring on their second possession the game, after being pinned at their own five yard line by a good Northeast punt. Facing a third and five at their own ten yard line Gore hit Mignault with a pass at about the Rams 45 and Mignault fought off the Northeast defender to haul in the pass and then raced down the left sideline for the first score of the game and a 7-0 lead after Ryan McLaughlin's extra point.

Gore did not take long before connecting on another long touchdown pass, as on the Rams next possession, Gore connected with Mike Allen for a 59 yard score to extend the lead to 14-0 on the last play of the fourth quarter. Allen juggled the pass at first, and actually bobbled it several times before hauling it in at about the 25 yard line and then turning on the jets to race untouched into the end zone for his second long touchdown catch in as many weeks having grabbed a 54 yarder last week against Nashoba Tech.

Gore nearly had a third touchdown pass in the first half when

end zone as he appeared to hit the end zone pylon before going out of bounds.

It hardly mattered for the Rams however, as on the next play Clark pounded his way through the middle of the Northeast line for his fifth touchdown of the season and a 20-0 lead with 6:36 left in the first half.

While the offense was rolling along, the defense was not allowing Northeast much of anything. In fact, the Golden Knights did not pick up a first down until their final possession of the first half, as the Rams defense was gang tackling on nearly every play.

"We were gang tackling really well," Costabile said. "We just seemed to have more bodies in on tackles this week than in other weeks. Sometimes we had five or six guys making the tackle. We played great team defense."

It was a defensive play that got the Rams going in the second half. Senior Marck Clerveau, starting his first game at defensive end for the Rams, and having already come up with a quarterback sack in the first half, recovered a Golden Knight fumble to give the Rams the ball at the Northeast 35 yard line. Four plays later Gore connected with Mignault for another score, this time for 26 yards and a 26-0 lead after the failed extra point. It was Gore's fifth touchdown pass of the season.

"Joe threw the ball well all week and the receivers had a great week of practice," Costabile said. "We felt like we could throw it today and they did a great job of it."

The Rams put the finishing touches on the victory with a four yard run by senior Pat Fullerton with 9:30 left in the game.

The Rams will try and extend their undefeated mark to 4-0 on Saturday afternoon at Cassidy Field, when for the second week in a row they will battle a CAC Lower Division foe in a crossover battle. Manchester-Essex will bring a perfect 3-0 record of their own into the game.

The Hornets will be looking for a much better result than last year when they brought the same perfect record into Cassidy Field only to see the Rams come away with a 35-15 victory behind a pair of touchdowns passes and a touchdown run by Gore as well as touchdown runs by Clark and Fullerton.

Manchester's most recent win came last week in a 36-6 rout of Minuteman Regional and their other two wins have come against Lynnfield in week two in overtime by a score of 21-14 and a 27-26 nail biter against Pope John XXIII in the season opener.

The Hornets will be led on offense by quarterback Pat Orlando who has thrown five touchdown passes on the season as well as running back Brian Ciccone who has rushed for four scores of his own. Wide receiver Sam Cohen has caught three of Orlando's five scoring passes.



The Shawsheen Tech Football team is flipping over its 3-0 start this season, including Saturday's win over Northeast Regional. (JoeBrownphotos.com)

Coach earns milestone victory

By MIKE IPPOLITO
Sports Correspondent

BILLERICA - It wasn't until the giant congratulatory cake had been bought out to midfield that Shawsheen Tech football coach Al Costabile realized that he had accomplished something very special on Saturday afternoon at Samuel J. Cassidy Field, namely winning his 100th career game as a varsity football coach, courtesy of his Rams 33-0 whitewashing of Northeast Regional.

"This is embarrassing," a very happy Costabile said as he was presented with a plaque in honor of his achievement.

It should come as no surprise to those who know Costabile that setting a personal milestone was the last thing on his mind on Saturday afternoon. His entire focus all week had been on only one thing and that was putting together the best game plan possible to allow his team to improve to 3-0.

"I never really gave it any thought," Costabile said. "I really didn't. Today was about beating Northeast. That's all it's about."

Costabile is in his 10th year as head coach of the Rams, following five very successful seasons at Bishop Fenwick High School where he led his team to two Division 4 Super Bowl berths. At Shawsheen, Costabile has helped to build a very successful program and has led his team to a pair of State Vocation Championship

games, including a win in the game last year over Bay Path Regional.

The year his Rams looked poised for another run at the post season and that's what he was taking the most pride in on

games and a lot of great coaches that helped," Costabile said. "I have been fortunate to be around great coaches and great players. The kids are the ones who make the plays and win the games. We can pre-



In his 15th year in coaching, including the last 10 with the Shawsheen Tech Rams, Al Costabile won his 100th game as a high school coach on Saturday. The Rams defeated Northeast Regional. (file photo)

Saturday afternoon. Costabile did take a moment to reflect on the career that brought him to this milestone.

"I have had a lot of great kids through the years to win 100

pare them, but the kids need to execute when it's time to play. I am very fortunate to be in this position today."

Rams Football Box Score

Shawsheen Tech 33, Northeast Regional 0

Northeast (0-3) 0 0 0 6 - 0

Shawsheen (2-0) 14 6 6 7 - 33

S: Joe Mignault 90 pass from Joe Gore (Ryan McLaughlin kick)

S: Mike Allen 59 pass from Gore (McLaughlin kick)

S: Chris Clark 1 run (kick failed)

S: Mignault 26 pass from Gore (kick failed)

S: Pat Fullerton 4 run (McLaughlin kick)

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| | N | S |
| First Downs | 5 | 15 |
| Rushes-Yds | 25-63 | 26-140 |
| Passing-Att-Int | 2-6-0 | 7-8-0 |
| Passing yards | 22 | 225 |
| Total yards | 85 | 365 |
| Fumbles-lost | 3-1 | 2-2 |
| Penalties-yards | 4-40 | 1-55 |
| Punts-Avg. | 6-27.2 | 2-30.5 |

Individual Stats

Passing: S, Joe Gore 7-8-0, 225 yds, 3 TD; N, Christian O'Leary 1-4-0, 15 yds, 0 TD, Dennis Lombardi 1-2, 7 yds, 0 TD

Rushing: S, Chris Clark 13-72, 1 TD, Pat Fullerton 12-48, 1 TD, Mike Allen 1-20; N, Mike Calderone 13-45, Lombardi 6-30, Dan Martin 1-5, O'Leary 5 (-17).

Receiving: S, Joel Mignault 4-129, 2 TD, Mike Allen 2-79, 1 TD, Clark 1-17; N, Pat Horgan 1-15, Calderone 1-7.

back Joe Gore of Wilmington who threw for 225 yards and three touchdowns, including scoring passes of 90 and 59 yards on consecutive possessions in the first half.

Shawsheen started the scoring

he connected with sophomore Chris Clark for 17 yards to give the Rams a first and goal inside the Northeast one yard line midway through the second quarter. It actually looked as if Clark may have gotten into the

Wilmington Mite C's take on Newton

The Wilmington Mite C youth hockey team has gotten off to a good start despite being in a tough division. Their first match was against a good Newton Mite 3 team and although the final score was a 7-3 loss the game was a lot closer than the score indicated. For the first two and a half periods the score went back and forth. Scoring for the Wildcats was David Silveira, Ryan Barrett and Tommy Robarge with. Keeping the score close in net for Wilmington was Christian Robarge.

The second game was against the North Andover Mite 3 team with different results. Wilmington struck first with an

unassisted goal by Christian Robarge just 25 seconds in. It took N. Andover just 18 seconds to respond to tie it up with a goal of their own. Tommy Robarge scored to put the Cats ahead with an assist going to Maxwell Vale.

Again N. Andover tied it up to finish out the scoring in the first. Wilmington did all the scoring in the second period with Silveira scoring on a break away and Tommy Robarge scoring his second with helpers going to Vale and Eion Cote (Pronounced Owen). The third tally of the second period saw Nolan Ricci sending Barrett in for the score as he would end up with two more.

The third period saw some great goaltending from Calvin Stafford getting a lot of help from defenseman Tia Martignetti who just missed getting on the score sheet with a goal of her own. Great two way play by Molly Foley, Kyle Bolis and Jared Homola who got an assist on a late goal by Vale. A great team effort!

The third game was against the Danvers Mite 1 team. Perhaps this was why they have parity games. Having scored double digits in their previous two contests the Wildcats were over powered as Falcons scored half of their goals in the first period. Wilmington started out with a short bench using only

three defenseman. Ryan Barrett was between the pipes for Wilmington to keep the game from getting way out of hand as the Wildcats struggled to get it out of their end.

Game four was against the Andover G team. In the first the two teams looked very evenly matched with some good defense by Molly Foley, Homola, Martignetti and Barrett. Andover scored with 35 seconds left in the period. Kyle Bolis was in net for Wilmington and made some great saves. Scoring opportunities were had by Stafford, Ricci, and Cote but Tommy Robarge was the only one to get the biscuit by the Andover goalie.

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Cassandra Tower was the lone Wilmington resident who competed in Saturday's "Run for Ryan's Cup" in Chelmsford. She finished the 5K with a time of 51:06, which placed her 146th.

Wilmington's Stephen Potner continued his strong play for the UMass Lowell men's soccer team in its 6-1 victory over American International on Saturday.

Potner netted a goal and an assist in the win. Potner has three goals so far this season, and the Riverhawks carry a record of 7-1-1 through Tuesday.

Two former Wilmington High graduates are also competing for the UMass Lowell soccer team, but this time on the women's side. Sophomore Kathleen Strazzere is a defender on the team and a regular starter. Brianne Bozella, a freshman, has seen action in about a handful of games as a forward and midfielder.

This Sunday Wilmington Pop Warner is hosting "Local Heroes Appreciation Day." People are asked to bring items to drop off boxes at the field to support American troops abroad. Some items include

playing cards, batteries, toothpaste and toothbrushes. For more information, visit this website: <http://www.mass-localheroes.org/>

The 2007 schedule for Wilmington Pop Warner is also posted online. There have been some changes to some of the games, so go to the league website for more information. That address is: www.wilmingtonpopwarrior.com

Each player who wants to compete in the Wilmington Youth Hockey Association must register for the 2007/2008 season as a part of USA Hockey requirements. The cost of the registration is \$35.00 per player and can be done through the USA Hockey web site located at: www.usahockey.com. Players cannot participate in the upcoming season without a USA Hockey registration number. After completing the on-line registration, please forward a copy to Mike Luise @ MLUISE@aol.com.

Team pictures will be taken for hockey players on Saturday, November 3rd and Sunday, November 4th at the 4th of July Building. Team schedules for the day will be posted once they become available.

Registration for the spring season of Wilmington Little League will be held on this Friday, Sunday and next Wednesday. All registration times are between 6-9 p.m. and will be held at the 4th of July Building. Birth certificates are required for all new players.

Travel coach applications for the U15 through U18 age groups that play in the spring for Wilmington Youth Soccer are now being accepted by the travel coordinators. Applications are due by Columbus Day.

Shawsheen Tech Sports Round-Up

Golf team remains perfect

By MIKE IPPOLITO
Sports Correspondent

The Shawsheen Tech golf team improved their record to 7-0 overall on the season this week with a pair of non-league wins over Austin Prep on Monday and over Arlington Catholic on Tuesday. The Rams were once again led by some great efforts from the top four players in their lineup, but they also got some great performances from players at the bottom of the lineup, which allowed them to dominate both opponents.

Against Austin Prep the Rams earned an 8-1 victory, which has been typical of many of their matches this season, but Shawsheen coach Tom Struthers said the match was not as much of a blowout as the final score would indicate.

"Austin Prep has a good team as does Arlington Catholic," Struthers said. "Both of the teams are very young though, and are rebuilding whereas we are at the top of our game right now."

Number one player Brandon Porter shot a 37 earned a 5-5-3.5 victory for the Rams, continuing his spectacular season. Other winners for the Rams were DJ Shepherd who shot a 35 and won 7.5-1.5 and Brett Frederickson who won 5.5-3.5.

Sophomore Jon McDonald shot a 38 to earn a 6.5-2.5 victory, while freshman Dan Jacobs shot a 40 to earn a 5.5-3.5 win.

While Porter, Shepherd, Wilmington's Steve Tello and McDonald are certainly the leaders and the biggest point producers for the Rams, Struthers has love what he has seen from the youngsters in his lineup.

"They are both doing very well and I am hoping that one of them steps up to take over the team next year when all of these seniors graduate," Struthers said. "I don't know who it will be, just like at this point I don't know which of

them I will be able to take to the Voke tournament with us in a couple of weeks. They are both playing well, but I can only take five players. It's a tough choice."

Jacobs and Fredricksen both out put strong efforts once again on Tuesday, using the total points scoring system on Arlington Catholic's home course, with Jacobs accounting for 18 points and Fredricksen putting up 21.

Top scorers on the day for the Rams, however, were Porter who shot a 36 and put up 29 points, and McDonald who shot a 38 to put up 28 points. Tello also shot a 38 to put up 24 points and bounce back nice from a tough 5-4 loss the day before.

"That was a nice comeback for him," Struthers said. "It was good to see him do that and play so well, but he thought he could have played even better."

The round of the day, however, had to come from another Wilmington resident, Keith Quigley, who was playing in the number nine position and shot a remarkable 36 to account for 28 points.

"I was really happy for Keith," Struthers said. "He is such a great kid. You like him from the moment you meet him. And he is a kid who plays in the seven through nine position for us and can still come through like that and put up a great score."

Girls Soccer

The Shawsheen girls soccer team also continued their undefeated season this week with a 3-1 win over Blackstone Valley on Monday afternoon to improve their record to 4-0-1 on the season. The Lady Rams were led by a pair of Wilmington residents with Ashley Antico scoring Shawsheen's first goal of the game and sophomore star Jenn Carroll scoring the next two to give the Rams a 3-0 halftime lead.

Antico's goal certainly got the Rams off on the right foot.

"Ashley got a nice pass from Stephanie Walsh in the goal mouth and just put it right in," Michaud said. "It was a nice play. She had a chance just like that last week and just missed it so it was nice for her to get that one and it started us off real well."

Carroll followed with the next two goals, her 8th and 9th of the season with one of the goals assisted by Courtney Jenkins on a great setup. After showing tremendous promise last season as just a freshman, Carroll has taken her game to a new level as a sophomore and has been scoring at an incredible pace, including four goals in the Lady Rams 5-5 tie against Greater Lowell last week.

"She really has been playing well and other teams are noticing," Michaud said. "The other team came over with the scorebook before the game and they already had her name circled. When they mark you like that they are trying to focus on you, but she had a great game anyway."

Tewksbury's Kimmy Stockton had 15 saves to earn the victory and was helped by some great defense from Caitlin Gallagher and Jackie Vereker.

"Caitlin, Jackie and (Wilmington's) Janel Madore have been doing a great job for us back there," Michaud said. "They play real well together."

At 4-0-1, it is still very early in the season, but Shawsheen looks to be on track for a great season. While Michaud is not about to look too far ahead, he felt that this game was the best of the season to date.

"Today was a real solid game," Michaud said. "We really dominated and I really noticed how well we played compared to the other team. We passed real well and that really kind of picked things up for us."



The Shawsheen Tech Football team dominated the Northeast Regional team on Saturday coming away with a 33-0 victory in front of the home crowd.

(JoeBrownphotos.com)

Reaching into the Cookie Jar

Tewksbury kids know how to play

Al Pare and his Lowell High School football team would have been wise to whip out the old chalk board and begin taking notes. They were about to get a crash course in just how to play this game that too often is made to appear much too complicated. Blocking and tackling. The undefeated Redmen (3-0) can do both. The young Lowell team could do neither in taking a 23-3 beating at Doucette Field Saturday.

A wise old Merrimack Valley Conference football observer said it best when looking at the schedule. "The Lowell kids have better athletes and can run fast in a straight line. The Tewksbury kids can flat-out play football."

Lowell has a Division I caliber quarterback and free safety in 6'6", 210 pound senior Matt Welch. Already being courted by the University of New Hampshire to play safety and several big-time colleges to ply his considerable basketball skills, Welch looked like a man among boys Saturday, firing laser beams at young, inexperienced receivers, all of whom wanted no part of the football when faced with TMHS defensive backs coming hard from every possible angle.

Playing without star running back Jethro Kollie, Welch was forced into a one-man-gang act that failed miserably after the visitors took a 3-0 first quarter lead. Tewksbury jammed Lowell's receivers, and faced with two tough guys in Joel Altavista and Mike Willey, along with all-purpose skill star Derek Lowe, Pare's kids were all done after falling behind, 16-3 at the half.

"They got right in our face. They were tougher than we were, it's as simple as that," offered Pare afterwards. "They out-toughed us up front. These Tewksbury kids will punch you all day. You gotta come back after they do that. You can't hang your head and wait for someone else to do the job. We're young, we made mistakes, and hopefully, we'll grow and learn from those mis-



By: Rick Cooke

takes."

Pare, a former TMHS assistant who is in the school's Hall of Fame (along with current Lowell assistant Joe DelGrosso as Redmen head coach) as a member of the 1990 Super Bowl team, knows all about what it takes to play with a Tewksbury team coached by Brian Aylward.

"They just took our passing game away. They got right on top of our receivers. Our kids are so young, they don't know how to get off the defensive backs."

A tough team with some football knowledge is a tough combo that Lowell was ill-equipped to deal with Saturday. Just ask Tewksbury eighth grade travel-team coach Tim Lightfoot, also a member of the 1990 Hall of Fame squad.

"Tewksbury makes the best adjustments of any team in the MVC," said Lightfoot midway through the third quarter, when Lowell was struggling to move the ball.

Lightfoot downplayed the possible strategic connection between the two coaching staffs.

"They might run some of the same stuff, but I'm coaching this eighth grade team (a first-time program for Tewksbury), and the plays are all different from back when I played. So, some of it is all new to me. Both staffs have changed with the times."

Lightfoot, who will be inducted into the Westfield State

College Hall of Fame October 19, sees the locals gaining an edge when it comes to the football learning curve.

"It's great that the kids are travelling and playing different teams and using the same plays and techniques as the high school. The kids are really getting it, and hopefully, we'll have a seventh grade team next year."

Pare admitted that his team was nowhere near Tewksbury in terms of both practice and game experience.

"A lot of our kids have never even played football. We're just showing a lot of them how to hold a football, for crying out loud," he said.

Tewksbury's experience matched up nicely with its toughness, as Altavista left the game briefly in the first half with an ankle sprain, came to the sideline for a quick tape job, and got back in the game to give Lowell fits.

"That kid Lowe had a terrific game. He's terrific player," praised Pare. "But, that number three (Altavista) kept getting them first downs. He's a tough son of a gun."

Any teacher needs prime examples of formulas for success. Pare gathered his team on the Doucette Field after the game and said essentially, that now was not the time to stop learning. The Tewksbury kids had taught the visitors and their big-time quarterback a valuable lesson.

The Lowell coach could have wrapped-up his postgame chat with this comment: "This is a football. That is a team (Tewksbury) that knows what to do, with or without, this football. See that team over there? That is how you play the game."

There's nothing like taking something positive away from any defeat. Especially when it comes at the hands of a team that, so far at least, seems to know exactly where all the bumps in the football road are located.

Where's the Action?

| Day | Date | Sport | Opponent | Time |
|-------------------------------|---------|-------------------|---------------------|-----------|
| Tewksbury High Sports | | | | |
| Thurs | Sept 27 | V/JV Field Hockey | vs Methuen | 3:30 PM |
| Thurs | Sept 27 | V Golf | vs Chelmsford | 3:30 PM |
| Thurs | Sept 27 | V/JV Boys Soccer | vs Haverhill | 3:45 PM |
| Fri | Sept 28 | V Golf | at Lowell | 3:30 PM |
| Fri | Sept 28 | V/JV Girls Soccer | at Ipswich | 3:45 PM |
| Fri | Sept 28 | JV/V Volleyball | at NDA | 5:30/7PM |
| Fri | Sept 28 | V Football | at Chelmsford | 7:00 PM |
| Sat | Sept 29 | V/JV Boys Soccer | vs Triton | 10:00 AM |
| Sat | Sept 29 | V/JV Field Hockey | at Con-Carlisle | 10:00 AM |
| Mon | Oct 1 | V Golf | vs Lowell | 3:30 PM |
| Mon | Oct 1 | JV/V Field Hockey | at Andover | 5:30/7PM |
| Tues | Oct 2 | V Golf | vs Central Catholic | 3:30 PM |
| Tues | Oct 2 | V/JV Girls Soccer | vs Andover | 3:45 PM |
| Tues | Oct 2 | V/JV Boys Soccer | at Dracut | 3:45 PM |
| Wed | Oct 3 | V/JV Field Hockey | vs Haverhill | 3:30 PM |
| Wed | Oct 3 | B/G Cross Country | vs Chelmsford | 3:45 PM |
| Thurs | Oct 4 | V Golf | at Dracut | 3:30 PM |
| Thurs | Oct 4 | V/JV Girls Soccer | at Central Catholic | 3:45 PM |
| Wilmington High Sports | | | | |
| Thurs | Sept 27 | V Golf | at N. Andover | 3:45 PM |
| Thurs | Sept 27 | V/JV Field Hockey | vs N. Reading | 3:45 PM |
| Thurs | Sept 27 | V/JV Boys Soccer | vs N. Reading | 3:45 PM |
| Thurs | Sept 27 | JV/V Girls Soccer | at N. Reading | 3:45/5PM |
| Fri | Sept 28 | V/JV Volleyball | vs N. Reading | 3:45 PM |
| Fri | Sept 28 | V Football | vs Amesbury | 7:00 PM |
| Mon | Oct 1 | V/JV Field Hockey | at Lynnfield | 3:45 PM |
| Mon | Oct 1 | V/JV Girls Soccer | at Amesbury | 3:45 PM |
| Mon | Oct 1 | V/JV Volleyball | vs Lexington | 4:00 PM |
| Mon | Oct 1 | JV/V Boys Soccer | vs Amesbury | 4/6:00 PM |
| Tues | Oct 2 | V Golf | vs Ham-Wenham | 3:30 PM |
| Wed | Oct 3 | V/JV Girls Soccer | vs Ham-Wenham | 3:45 PM |
| Wed | Oct 3 | V/JV Boys Soccer | at Ham-Wenham | 3:45 PM |
| Wed | Oct 3 | B/G Cross Country | at Ham-Wenham | 3:45 PM |
| Wed | Oct 3 | V/JV Volleyball | at Lynnfield | 3:45 PM |
| Thurs | Oct 4 | V Golf | vs Triton | 3:30 PM |
| Shawsheen Tech Sports | | | | |
| Thurs | Sept 27 | V Girls Soccer | vs Lynn Tech | 3:30 PM |
| Thurs | Sept 27 | V Boys Soccer | vs Chelsea | 3:30 PM |
| Sat | Sept 29 | V Football | vs Manchester | 1:30 PM |
| Mon | Oct 1 | V Girls Soccer | at Northeast | 3:30 PM |
| Mon | Oct 1 | V Boys Soccer | at Fellowship | 3:30 PM |
| Wed | Oct 3 | V Boys Soccer | at Northeast | 3:30 PM |
| Wed | Oct 3 | V Girls Soccer | at Minuteman | 3:30 PM |

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Wilmington In-Town youth soccer round-up

Boys Grade 1 NY/NJ Metro Stars vs. Columbus Crew

The Columbus Crew offensive pressure was relentless with John Bumpus, Sean Che, Andrew Miller and Joshua Fraser applying it with utter determination.

Outstanding defense by Devin Clerico, Andrew Days, Nathaniel Gordon and Nolan Sullivan was a sight to see. While scoring by Ryan Butler had the crowd on the edge of their seats.

LA Galaxy vs. Chicago Fire
The LA Galaxy showed up for this game with a powerful offensive force led by Peter Marino, Matthew Cohen, Conlin Duffy, Benjamin Wright, and Joseph Wilson and resulting in goals from Dominick and Joseph Demonico. Jake Timmons, Benjamin Packer and Aidan Coakley, complimented this with great defense.

The entire LA Galaxy Team played goal with tiger like quickness play after play keeping the LA Galaxy in this game.

Not to be outdone, the Chicago Fire led by the offensive prowess of Sean Clark, Tyler Beraldi, Matt Dawson and Jason Marquard led to goals by Kevin Souza, Nathan Frye and Tim Kippenberger. Keeping their opponents on edge was the defensive skill of Dylan Wargo, Kevin Souza and Nathan Frye.

DC United vs. NE Revolution
The crowd was kept on the edge of their seats this week as the DC United led by the offensive skills of Ryan Callahan, Brandon Cheng led to scoring opportunities by Kyle Mudge, Kyle Kenyon, Colin Rooney, Samuel Vince.

The defense was not to be left out of this one either as Kyle Gardner kept the ball out of their zone for much of the game.

The NE Revolution Zachary Perdicaro and Nolan Ricci stayed on their toes and scored with help from Timothy Trevisone, James Ward and Christopher Stokes on offense. Matthew Carpenito and Michael Santini shut down the other end of the field which set the tone for the defense.

Dallas Burn vs. Miami Fusion
Nobody stayed home for this action packed game. The Dallas Burn Ryan Barrett, Samuel DeAngelis, Marc Leone scored getting the crowd jumping out of their seats. Outstanding offense by Brodie Caizzi, Thomas King, Alan Morris set up many scoring chances.

The flawless defense of Louis Nguyen, Troy Riekstins provided great protection for the Goalkeepers.

Colorado Rapids vs. Kansas City Wizards
The Kansas City Wizards offensive pressure was relentless with Joshua Crampton, Cameron Hamel applying it with utter determination. Outstanding defense by Mark Rogomentich, Christopher Medeiros was a sight to see. While scoring by Shiv Patel, Patrick Vandemark, Robbie Farrell, Jordan Hamel had the crowd on the edge of their seats.

**Girls Grade 1
Colorado Rapids vs. Kansas City Wizards**
A true World Cup Performance by the Colorado Rapids made for an exciting game. Outstanding plays by Marisa Jackson, Sophia Giampaolo coupled with a

strong defensive stand by Cassidy Reese, Simran Johar made for an all around first class game.

Alanah Colantuoni, Sara Babcock scored putting the Colorado Rapids on the board. Solid goaltending by Meghan Canale, Charlotte Kane to keep their team alive also added to the effort.

The Kansas City Wizards offensive pressure was relentless with the whole team applying it with utter determination. Outstanding defense by Celia Marchese, Kylie Flanagan and Emily Gear was a sight to see. While scoring by Morgan Gaffey, Emma Rhind, Alyssa Zwehlan, Samantha Fusco and Grace Watson had the crowd on the edge of their seats.

LA Galaxy vs. Chicago Fire
In this action packed test of skill, Maggie Peterson kept the offensive pressure on displaying strong soccer skills. Goals by Delaney Diaz, Hannah Malvone, Alexandra Pitzi, and Gianna Zaccagnini kept the crowd roaring.

Outstanding textbook like defense by Samantha Beauregard and Julia Messina kept the Chicago Fire under control in the game.

The Chicago Fire were a tough competitor as they answered back with goals by Emma Atlee, Alyssa Bernazani, Kaitlyn Crampton, Paige Gallucci, Lia Kourkoutas, and Julia Ryan while Gianna, Brunetto, Eliza Stuart, Emma Atlee, and Alyssa Bernazani applied constant offensive pressure.

The steel like defense by Kaitlyn Crampton, Paige Gallucci, and Lia Kourkoutas made a tough job in goal much easier for Julia Ryan, Eliza Stuart, and Gianna Brunetto who also performed strong in net. Paige Gallucci, Emma Atlee, Eliza Stuart, and Kaitlyn Crampton had a great all around game providing boost for the Chicago Fire.

Dallas Burn vs. Miami Heat
The crowds gathered at the Shawheen fields for this back and forth game. The Dallas Burn led by Kaitlin Leblanc and Hailey Collins got the crowd jumping out of their seats. Marisa Reardon, Jessica Wargo and Cassidy Collins led the scoring charge while the great defensive effort of Victoria Sheehan and Alana Burns kept the action going.

D. C. United vs. New England
The crowds gathered at the Shawheen fields for this back and forth game. The D.C. United led by Ryan Bailey, Kayla Bourrell got the crowd jumping out of their seats. April Haines, Madison Dickson, Kacie Bourrell led the scoring charge while the great defensive effort of Jade Vaughn, Marina Hancher kept the action going.

**Boys Grade 2
Rutgers vs. Harvard**
Rutgers showed up for this game with a powerful offensive force led by Matt Hansen, Chris McGondel and Ian Proulx and resulting in goals from Brett Chisholm and Ben Maynard. Lucas Stanford and Brett Tavares complimented this with great defense. David Anderson and Carl Beatrice played goal with tiger like quickness play after play keeping Rutgers in this game.

Harvard offensive pressure was relentless with Mason Vrga and John Cox applying it with utter determination.

Outstanding defense by Joshua Bartnicki, Jack

Gibbons and Ben Borges was a sight to see. While scoring by Nathan DiMeco and Chris Spinazola had the crowd on the edge of their seats.

Dartmouth vs. Brown
Brown were a tough competitor as they answered back with goals by Joey Mirabella, Andrew Almeida, and Matthew Spinos while Billy McEvoy, and Shawn Calabro applied constant offensive pressure. The steel like defense by Michael Chrisher made a tough job in goal much easier for Nolan Kane who also performed strong in net. Vittorio Iocco had a great all around game providing boost for Brown.

Pennsylvania vs. Columbia
A true World Cup Performance by Pennsylvania made for an exciting game. Outstanding plays by Jared Fiore, Jason Spizuoco, Daniel Gracia, and Patrick Laliberte coupled with a strong defensive stand by Joe Cuscuna, Drew Sagal and Andrew Dawson made for an all around first class game. Daniel Gracia scored putting Pennsylvania on the board. Solid goaltending by Jake Sultan and Jared Marquard to keep their team alive also added to the effort.

**Girls Grade 2
Harvard vs. Stanford**
In what could have been confused as a World Cup Match, Harvard started off strong with great offensive pressure from Stephanie Burns, Katlin Cummings, and Trinidi Murray coupled with the steel like defense of Olivia Carpenito, and Logan MacDonald made for an incredible game.

Alexandra Wargo scored first for Harvard while Adin Brown like effort of Danielle Silva, and Tia Woodford were solid in the net to keep their team alive.

The Stanford offensive pressure was relentless with Dana Goulet, Taylor Briggs, Madeline Courtney and Adele Burton applying it with utter determination.

Outstanding defense by Abby Melvin, Kendra Swift, Sara Troy, Zoe Marzi and Macy Doucette was a sight to see. While scoring by Jill Roche had the crowd on the edge of their seats.

Rutgers vs. Yale
Top-Notch play kept people watching this one. Excellent offensive plays by Lynn Fletcher, Erin Kelley, Megan Thomas and Ashley Hassell applied heavy pressure causing Yale to back pedal. Defensive positioning by Rebecca Gullotto, and Allison Sullivan fended off any threat that came thru making it tough for Yale. Josselyn Siegal and Jennifer Tague also played a great game in net keeping the game in hand.

Proving they were World Cup Competitors as well, the Yale team led by the offensive power of Abby Genthner and Molly Gentile got things rolling, while goals by Julia Snider, Olivia Wingate and Bella Granara got the Yale team on the board.

A solid defensive effort by Lindsey Rosania held up the defense while the impenetrable tandem of Taryn Suprenant and Emily Warren showed World Cup ability in net.

Dartmouth vs. Brown
On the other side of the ball for the was an incredible offensive performance by Alexis Machado and Katie Acker while goals scored by Lauren D'Angelo and Jessica D'Entremont got Brown on the board. With a rock solid defensive stand led by Sara



Lauren McKenna gets to the ball first in the U14-2 win over Reading on Saturday. (courtesy photo)

Lagunilla. Brown was never out of this game. The keeper team of Jade Brennan and Francesca Choi could only be classified as awesome.

Pennsylvania vs. Columbia
A true World Cup Performance by Pennsylvania made for an exciting game. Outstanding plays by Natalie Medros, Prachi Jhavar, Lindsey Amazeen and Kelli Carew coupled with a strong defensive stand by Sydney Pelletier and Shannon O'Grady made for an all around first class game.

Marissa LoGrasso scored putting Pennsylvania on the board. Solid goaltending by Vanessa Vandemark and Alyssa Richardson to keep their team alive also added to the effort.

**Boys Grade 3/4
USA vs. Ireland**
If you missed this match Saturday at the Shawheen fields you missed one of the best games of the season. USA led by the offensive skills of Micheal Germano, Evan Myers, Matthew Morrison were on display as the scoring opportunities were finished off by Jacob Leblanc, Nicholas Blinn, Tyler Hamilton.

Not to be left out, the defense showed it's skills with Pawan Bhat, Brenden Thorpe, John Miller Jr. leading a defensive stand while the tandem of Alec Bonaccorsi, Zach Thomas made some incredible saves in

net. The Ireland offensive pressure was relentless with Dimitri Audette, Kyle Ayer, Shihshir Bhat, Edmond DeAngelis, Travis Hamilton, and Domenic Veloza applying it with utter determination. Outstanding defense by Stephen Cardarelli, Vibhav Bhat, Thomas Brabant, Devin Paquette, Sean Tivnan, and Brian Veloza was a sight to see. While scoring by Darin MacEacheron had the crowd on the edge of their seats.

**Girls Grade 3/4
Brazil vs. Argentina**
Brazil showed up for this game with a powerful offensive force led by Erin Riel, Taylor Santry, Emma Griffin, Madelyn Messina and Elisa Alexander and resulting in goals from Colleen Clark. Hailey Salsgiver, Samantha Martignetti and Cristina Gomez complimented this with great defense. Emily D'Entremont and Kirsten Hoffman played goal with tiger like quickness play after play keeping Brazil in this game.

Argentina were a tough competitor as they answered back with goals by Stephanie Santini and Bella Cigna while Rachel Gullotto, Julian Troy and Katie Brown applied constant offensive pressure. The steel like defense by Katelyn Biggens and Cayman Hardy made a tough job in goal much easier

for Meera Patel and Samantha Demonico who also performed strong in net. Makenna Munro and Rebecca Melo had a great all around game providing boost for Argentina.

England vs. France
England showed up for this game with a powerful offensive force led by Samantha MacInnis, Victoria McDermott, Theresa Tigges, Nicole Keefe and resulting in goals from Katherine Donovan, Sonia Purohit, Chloe LeBlanc, Shannon Horgan, Kyria Nelson complimented this with great defense. Gabriella Ragucci, Jaclyn Fraser played goal with tiger like quickness play after play keeping England in this game.

Proving they were also World Cup Competitors. Nicole Rosania scored for France in this hard fought game. Sophie Consorti, Veronica Walsh, Hailey Liston and Kayla Martin added the offensive punch and Ashley DeLucia, Michelle Doucette, Meghan Sullivan and Imane Ridouh held up the defense.

It was an outstanding team effort capped off with great goal keeping by Samantha Maragioglio and Laura Kanihan.

Girls Under 12-4 keep streak alive

FROM PAGE SP10W

Ashleigh Howland PK, and a Kelly Hartsough scoring drive assured the girls of the 5-2 victory. Strong mid-field play by Meghan Sullivan and Alexa Burr kept the pressure in the offensive zone for the entire second half.

Last Saturday afternoon, the team traveled to Somerville to complete the home and home series. The story of this game

was defense and goalkeeping as the Wildcats tested four new keepers. Ashleigh Howland, Kristen Marranzini, Kelly Hartsough and Alexa Burr combined for a sixty minute shutout performance. The defense played extremely well as Hannah Kirby, Caitlin Derrickson and Kerry Ryan thwarted many Somerville rushes. Christina D'Ambrosio

(2), Kelly Hartsough (2) and Amanda Richards provided the scoring punch.

Each of these goals came on beautiful passing plays with assists going to Meghari, Amanda, Heather, Ashleigh and Alyssa. Final score Wilmington 5 Somerville 0. Great way to start the season girls!!!

WYSA offers Kindergarten Day, October 13

All girls and boys currently enrolled in Kindergarten, or who were 5 years of age by September 1, 2007 and residents of Wilmington are invited to Wilmington Youth Soccer's Kindergarten Day.

The event will be held on Saturday, October 13th 2007 from 9:00am - 11:00am at the Shawheen Elementary School Fields - just follow the balloons!

Please join us for a morning of fun soccer games, activities, fun, food and prizes. Children should wear sneakers if they

wish to participate in the activities. Come see why soccer is called The Game for ALL Kids®.

The event includes:
Free Wilmington Youth Soccer t-shirt to the first 100 Kindergarteners; Food, fun, soccer activities & prizes.

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Wilmington Youth Soccer ("WYSA") has one of the largest youth soccer programs across the state - come see what we offer for your Kindergarten starting next Spring.

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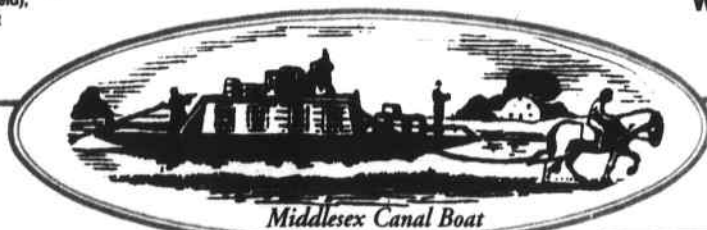
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Thespian Leigh Barrett Giving life to 'Mama Rose'

By DOUG WOOD-BOYLE

Leigh Barrett has brought her considerable acting and singing talents to the Stoneham Theatre and brought life to the role of Mama Rose in the theater's season opener "Gypsy."

"What I set out to do with Mama Rose," Barrett said in an interview, "is to show her humanity."

The Reading resident and Wakefield native met her goal. The audience is allowed to see the full range of emotions in the woman who, as the ultimate stage mother, molded and shaped the life of her oldest daughter, Louise, until she became the ultimate burlesque queen, author and entertainer, Gypsy Rose Lee.

Barrett, by her own admission, did a lot of research on the role. Not only did she read the script by Arthur Laurents, (with music by Jule Styne and lyrics by Stephen Sondheim), Barrett also read the memoir; the musical is based on, written by Lee, and other material she could find on Mama Rose.

According to Barrett, the background material she read on Rose was "...fairly different from Gypsy's description."

In background material on the musical, Mama Rose is described as "...a wildly determined stage mother (who) tries desperately to make her daughters into famous vaudeville performers." Rose learns throughout the course of the musical that "...fame comes at a price."

In her research, Barrett found a very complex person in Mama Rose. One who was, "...more than just a steamroller."

Barrett said, "Why else would people stay with her?"

She added, "I wanted to show the tragedy in her life. Why she made the decisions that she did."

According to Barrett, her understanding of

who Mama Rose was is a person who "...would never stop and listen to what people were saying."

"I wanted to bring out the question of whether she was capable of listening or just didn't want to hear. What is more tragic?"

Most actors need to delve into themselves to successfully portray a part on stage or in the films. Barrett is certainly not the overbearing person that Mama Rose was but she is the mother of two children and drew on that experience.

"As a mother I can understand (Rose's) strong defense of her daughters; maybe in the wrong way."

Talking about Rose's personality, Barrett said, "Everyone wants to be noticed. As a middle child I had ways of being noticed."

Barrett explained that as a youngster, she never considered acting as a career. However, she was always putting on shows for people that would visit her home in Wakefield.

"I was always theatrical," Barrett said. "A little dramatic as my mother would say."

She added, "I always wanted to be a million different things."

As a result, she attended and graduated from Baldwin Wallace College in Berea, Ohio. Although she had been a member of the Drama Club at Wakefield Memorial High School, Barrett had started her college education career as an education major, but soon



LEIGH BARRETT PERFORMS (center) as Mama Rose at Stoneham Theatre. Barrett is originally from Wakefield and now lives in Reading.

decided that music was her forte and graduated with a Bachelor of Music in Voice Performance.

At that time her thought was to be in opera. However, after studying voice in a master's class under Jack Lee, known for being the person who discovered comic actress Sandy Duncan, she was urged to go into musical theater.

Thus after graduation from Baldwin Wallace, she auditioned for, and received, a part in "Little Shop of Horrors" at Berea Summer Theater.

About two years later, she was able to get a part in a musical at the North Shore Music Circus and it was there that Barrett became a member of Actors' Equity.

Barrett, who describes herself as a mezzo soprano, has been compared to Ethel Merman. Although she takes the compliment as it is given she questions the comparison.

"I think what they mean, is that I have a very formidable sound in my voice," she com-

mented.

There is a significant difference between Barrett and Merman. As one Broadway reviewer wrote on Merman's death the woman was not an actress. Barrett is definitely an actress.

Over the years she has gathered the awards to prove her acting accomplishments. These include two Elliott Norton's. The prestigious award was presented to her in 2004 for her work in Sweeney Todd, Jacques

Brel, Follies, and Three Penny Opera and again this past year for her work in Souvenir and Ragtime.

"I believe I am the only musical person to win the Norton," Barrett said.

She has also been presented with two Independent Reviewers of New England Awards. Her most recent was for her role in Pal Joey.

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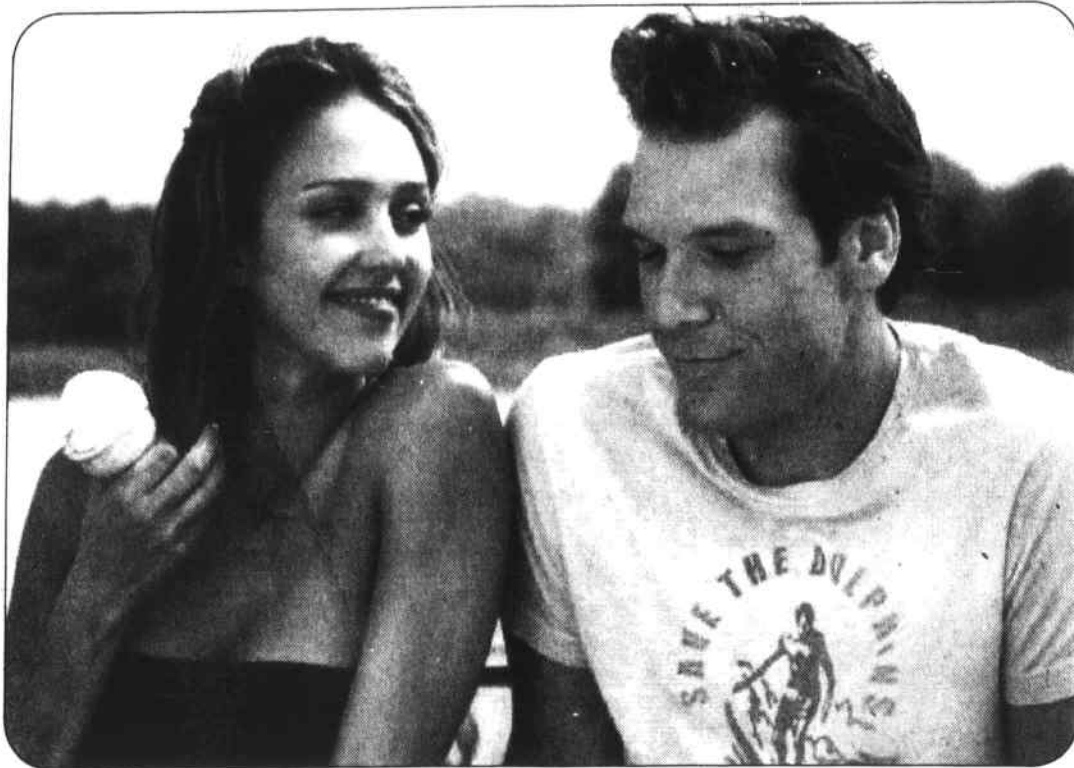


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Movie Reviews *by Paul Feely*

"Good Luck Chuck" - don't bother



DANE COOK AND JESSICA ALBA share a moment during Whats up Chuck, in theatres now.

"GOOD LUCK CHUCK" GRADE: *

Dane Cook is great as a standup comedian, but unfortunately he remains Exhibit A in the case against some comedians making the leap to the movie screen.

His latest film, "Good Luck Chuck," is an unfunny mix of romantic and gross-out comedy co-starring Jessica Alba.

Cook's Chuck is a dentist who's been cursed since childhood to break up with any woman he dates.

His popularity soars when women figure out that if they sleep with Chuck, they will end up marrying the next guy they date.

The novelty is fun at first, until Chuck meets the klutzy Cam (Alba), who works at the local Penguinarium.

Convinced that this is the real thing, he puts the relationship in a physical holding pattern until he can prove the spell is broken.

This leads to the movie's grossest gag as Chuck beds the grossest woman he can find, certain that no one will propose to her. That's after he performs a similar service for his obese secretary.

In a movie packed with low

humor, the most offensive moments are reserved for Chuck's fat guy comic sidekick, Dr. Stu (Dan Fogler).

Aside from delivering the year's most obnoxious one-liners, he attempts to outdo 'American Pie' with a grapefruit fresh from the microwave.

Romantic scenes are routinely sandwiched between shots like one of Cam's penguin pal dining on its own feces. Don't bother with this one.

"THE BRAVE ONE" GRADE: ***

Jodie Foster's new film "The Brave One" is about how a random act of violence changes a woman who survives it; how she becomes someone darker and colder, unafraid to do what she needs to take back the night. The film is a rarity: a violent action movie with a heart and soul.

Foster, looking thin and taut, plays Erica Bain, an NPR radio commentator whose life with her fiancé, David (Naveen Andrews), seems almost too happy. That life ends, quickly and horribly, as they walk their dog one night in Central Park. A gang of thugs ambushes them, one wielding a camera

phone. Both are beaten savagely: David is killed, Erica nearly so.

Weeks later, she leaves the hospital and goes home, to an empty apartment and dead flowers in a vase. Fearful and altered, she slowly transforms, gradually choosing to embrace violence rather than shrink from it. As stories of vigilante crime grip the city, police detective Sean Mercer (Terrence Howard) steps slowly closer to the truth.

Foster, in a performance of quiet, devastating honesty, takes hold of the movie, walking us through Erica's gradual transformation.

Though the action sometimes feels a bit contrived (it seems unlikely that Erica would suddenly have so many unconnected encounters with violent situations, so close together), the actors make us believe it all.

The film, which makes us understand Erica's actions without requiring us to approve of them, will likely inspire much discussion. Foster's long line of work paints a picture of a mature, confident artist unafraid to tackle dark, questionable territory, and this film is a worthy addition to her portfolio.

"3:10 TO YUMA" GRADE: ****

"3:10 to Yuma" offers plenty of guns-blazing, pulse-pounding action, but it's the excellent lead performances that stay with you.

Russell Crowe and Christian Bale play, essentially, opposite numbers in James Mangold's ("Walk the Line") update of the 1957 film of the same name.

Crowe plays notorious criminal Ben Wade, who crosses paths with cattle rancher Dan Evans (Bale) after Wade and his gang rob a coach full of Southern Pacific money. As Dan and his sons watch from afar, Wade proves himself to be the remorseless criminal of legend.

Crowe's killer is cerebral and seductive. Crowe plays Wade as slightly amused in general but fully engaged when addressing someone who interests him, especially when that someone is female.

When Wade ends up at Dan's ranch house, Dan's wife (Gretchen Mol, whose old-school beauty suits the setting) quickly gets taken in. Dan's older boy (Logan Lerman, bursting with adolescent energy) recognizes immediately that the criminal is a far more forceful presence than his dad.

Nobody is all good or bad, and the spaces in between keep the ever-evolving relationship between Wade and Evans interesting. The rancher, a former Union sharpshooter who lost part of his leg in the war, needs money to save his ranch, so he joins the ragtag band of men accompanying Wade, after the criminal is captured, to the train that will take him to prison.

Bale is instantly sympathetic, a visibly vulnerable guy who seems unable to catch a break. A drought has ravaged his land and he no longer can provide for his family. The angular Bale looks hungry, in sharp contrast to the full-faced Crowe.

What follows is the predictable parade of gunplay, along with some more intimate acts of violence. The action is no more credible than a 1950s shoot-'em-up, but it's a lot more exciting (and occasionally disturbing). The film is beautifully shot, with vivid close-ups of wheeling horses and smoking six-guns. And the performances



are top-notch, particularly the chemistry between the two stars as they move from guarded respect to macho rivalry to... well, no need to spoil the ending.

It's all great fun, not to be taken too seriously - which would be fine, except that one gets the sense that this film wants to be taken seriously. With the exception of Bale's acting, however, everything in Yuma is an amped-up cliché.

Even more over-the-top is Ben Foster as Wade's lieutenant, whose quick-draw skills would give Doc Holliday a scare.

What 3:10 to Yuma lacks in believability and originality, however, it makes up for in excitement.

"HALLOWEEN" GRADE: **

There are instances in Rob Zombie's prequel/remake of John Carpenter's Halloween where killer Michael Myers is compared to Frankenstein's monster. The idea that society made Myers into the bogeyman isn't necessarily a new one, but the challenge of looking at 10 year-old Michael Myers (in a terrific performance by Daeg Faerch) as a real kid is by far the strongest stuff in Zombie's undertaking.

Treated as garbage by his

stepfather, sister and classmates, Myers' instability is first revealed when he gives his pet rat a live dissection. The kid starts killing people, and they're not clean murders. Zombie registers the finality of death - letting us feel the weight of a human life being taken away. Once the film steps into a remake of the Carpenter film in its second half, it loses its seriousness.

As soon as Michael Myers becomes a faceless evil killing force, Zombie wants to forget that he introduced him as a human. The setup feels like part of a separate movie. Even the filmmaking takes a hit. When Rush's "Tom Sawyer" plays before a murder, Zombie doesn't build it to the expected melee of violence and classic rock that would have made the scene memorable. (An earlier moment of child Myers' dawning apathy set to Nazareth's "Love Hurts" is fantastic.)

There's an effort to update the story through the contemporary slang of the three teenage friends Myers' targets (played by Scout Taylor-Compton, Kristina Klebe, and series fan-fave Danielle Harris).

When portions of the film so closely resemble the original, you wonder why Zombie wanted

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THE NANNY DIARIES

GRADE: **

Any woman who would drag a man to this and have him sit through it without complaint should be brought up on charges of cruel and unusual punishment. This is such a chick flick, that sitting through the first hour could be hazardous to his health.

Annie Braddock (Scarlett Johansson) can't get a job after graduating from college. Her mother, Judy (Donna Murphy) is ambitious for her because she has devoted her life to earning the money to educate Annie.

Despondent about a failed job interview, Annie takes a job as a Nanny after meeting Grayer X in the park. Mrs. X (Laura Linney) sees them together and offers her the job.

The first hour of this is terminal movie-watching. It is such a formula. Guess what, Annie meets a hot guy, Harvard hottie (Chris Evans) and a stifled romance ensues, which raises another of the movie's conceits, the fact that Evans' character couldn't have a real name. Maybe this is the kind of stuff chicks find cute and appealing.

Guess what, Mr. X (Paul Giamatti) is having an affair. Make that several affairs. He's an unlikely jerk. But, then, so is Mrs. X, even though she's faced with a loveless marriage and a faithless husband. With a little thought and a little more work, this could have been a commentary on self-indulgent parents, but it ends up being formulaic and the characters are superficial.

Everyone did a pretty good job of acting, even though the script is derivative and the directing uninspired. I like Johansson, but she doesn't have much to work with here.

"SUPERBAD"

GRADE: ***

For pure laughs, for the experience of just sitting in a chair and breaking up every minute or so, "Superbad" is 2007's most successful comedy. Other comedies - such as Judd Apatow's "Knocked Up"

(Apatow serves as producer on this one) have been more ambitious and in some ways more satisfying. But nothing onscreen this year has been as funny as this. This is laugh-out-loud stuff, a real giddy pleasure.

It's a high school comedy, and the humor is sometimes crude, but the impulse behind the humor isn't crude at all. Behind its bits, "Superbad" is loaded with genuine and truthful observations about what it's like to be a high school senior, to have the mind of an adult and the judgment of a toddler, to have tremendous longings and yet no power.

"Superbad" captures the hardships of being that age and the magic, too - the way that one party can hold all the promise of the universe, or a single night can open up into a series of astounding adventures. It mainly deals with what it's like to be a guy that age, the embarrassing agonies, the stupidities and the ecstasies. But an unexpected virtue of "Superbad" is that it has sensitivity for the girls' point of view as well.

Produced by Apatow, directed by Greg Mottola ("The Daytrippers") and written by Seth Rogen ("Knocked Up") and Evan Goldberg, the movie was cast with a sophisticated eye for young comic talent. In the lead roles, as best friends, it places heavy Jonah Hill and slim and watchful Michael Cera, who at 19 already has unique comic timing and a masterful, dry delivery. Seth (Hill) and Evan (Cera) are approaching the end of senior year without having had a great romance.

They're bemoaning their lot in life, and then an opportunity comes their way. They're invited to a party. The only hitch is that they're entrusted with buying all the liquor for the party, and neither of them has a fake ID. Most of "Superbad" tells the story of their efforts to buy the liquor and get to the party. Sounds simple enough. It isn't.

Underlying "Superbad" is anxiety about the future. Soon Seth and Evan will be going off to different colleges, and they know their friendship will never be the same again.

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Which one is the collector's item?

General hospital (Winchester)

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"The e-Greetings function allows friends and family to send electronic greetings to Winchester Hospital patients during their hospital stay."

"Created by Winchester Hospital's Corporate Communications Department, in conjunction with Medicity, a clinical software company, e-Greetings will be printed and distributed by Hospital volunteers several times a day."

"The e-Greetings are organized by category and include Get Well, Thinking of You, Congratulations, and Happy Birthday. Photos, which have been submitted by Winchester Hospital employees, accompany each mes-

sage.

"Winchester Hospital launched its new website in December 2006 with additional functions being added in the past few months. Still in the works is a physician search section where people can find the doctor who best meets their needs and an online class registration function, which will allow members of the community to sign up and pay for classes through Winchester Hospital's Community Health Institute online."

"To view Winchester Hospital's new e-Greetings function, visit www.winchesterhospital.org/egreetings."

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- Your eyebrows should begin and end in distinct spots on your face. Hold a pencil vertically alongside your nose. Where the pencil hits above your eye is where your eyebrow should start, otherwise you'll look like you have an expanse of forehead between. The highest point of the arch should be just a little beyond the outer corner of the iris (colored portion of your eye) and should taper off to the end.

- The color of your brows should be two shades lighter than your hair color in most instances, except if you have very light blonde hair or gray hair, in which case it should be darker. If you are having your hair colored dramatically, find out if the salon also does eyebrow dyeing as well. However, do not attempt to dye your brows at home, which could result in the chemicals dripping in your eye, possibly causing blindness.

- If tweezing your eyebrows is exceptionally painful, try numbing the area with ice or a topical numbing agent.

- Trimming long hairs on your eyebrows can also keep them tamed. Brush the hairs up with a toothbrush or eyebrow brush and trim across. Don't trim too much or else you can get bald spots.

Baby boomer women diet differently

A recent survey conducted by Healthfocus International on behalf of Post, revealed that baby boomer women have different views of dieting compared to those that they held in their 20's and 30's.

In fact, nearly seventy percent agreed that they now believe that it's more important to achieve a healthy weight than to be "model thin" and approximately seven out

of ten women said that they're not willing to go hungry simply to lose weight.

Renowned physician, weight loss expert and author of *Body for Life for Women* and *Fight Fat After Forty*, Dr. Pamela Peeke says that the survey supports a growing trend among one of the largest groups of women in the nation - setting realistic weight goals that fit their current, busy lifestyles.

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"Most women that I see in my practice want to achieve the satisfaction, enjoyment and nutrition from the food that they eat," Dr. Peeke explained.

One way to help stay satisfied while dieting involves eating more fiber-rich foods. Experts recommend diets rich in fiber to help you lose weight as part of a reduced-calorie diet with exercise.

Fiber has many health benefits. The daily recommended intake for fiber for women ages 19 to 50 is 25g and it's 21g for women over 50.

A total of 42 percent of the women polled didn't know their recommended fiber intake. And according to the survey, 40 percent said that they didn't know what foods to purchase and found it challenging to find fiber-rich options that taste good.

Some of Dr. Peeke's tips to add fiber to your diet include:

- Top your favorite fiber-rich cereal with berries, such as blueberries, raspberries and strawberries.

- Cereal isn't just for breakfast! In this day and age, high-fiber cereals work well for an afternoon snack or as part of your evening meal. Create a simple snack of nuts Post Shredded Wheat and dried fruit or keep your favorite variety in a resealable plastic bag for outings.

- Enjoy some crunch with a fiber punch. Snack on raw

vegetables and dip them in low-fat dressing.

- Spread a tablespoon of reduced-fat peanut butter on whole grain toast and add fruit or fat-free milk for breakfast. Spread peanut butter on a few whole grain crackers or apple slices as a snack.

- Grab a handful or single-serve package of nuts, sprinkle on low-fat cottage cheese and add fruit for an on-the-go breakfast.

- Wrap fiber-rich beans, low-fat cheese and egg whites in a whole wheat tortilla for a great breakfast, lunch or dinner option.

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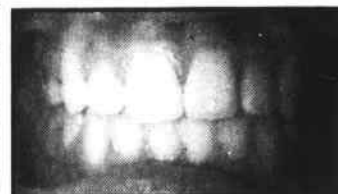
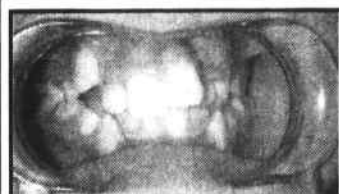


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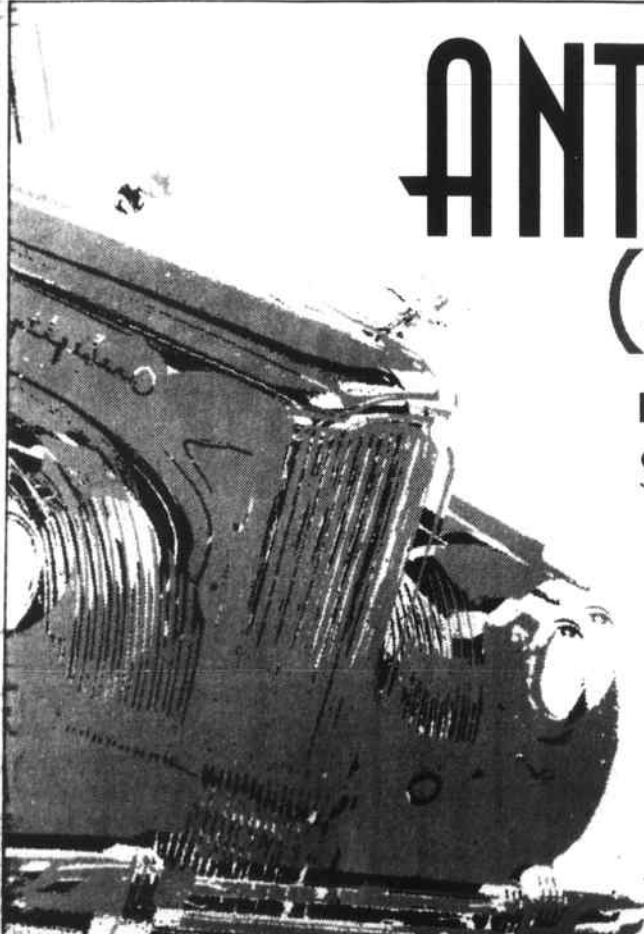
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Calendar of Events

"ROADS TO THE SEA" SEPTEMBER 28

Lorica Artworks is pleased to present an exhibition of new paintings by artist Dan Gaudette. "Roads to the Sea" will open Friday, September 28 at 90 Main Street, Andover with a reception from 6 - 9 p.m. featuring live music by The Trude Witham Jazz Quartet.

Gaudette, a native of Lowell, is an international landscape painter whose stunning works of Ireland have made him a well known name. The bulk of this exhibit, which comprises over forty pieces from Nantucket to Maine and in between, is a surprising departure from the Irish motif that has been a constant in his work.

Gaudette has a Masters of Fine Arts Degree from Assumption College. In addition to teaching in the Lowell school system for more than twenty years, he has conducted numerous workshops for teachers and parents and continues to teach privately.

His paintings are shown in Ireland as well as New England and are widely collected in Europe, Canada and the U.S. "Roads to the Sea" will be on view at Lorica Artworks through October 31.

The event is free and open to all and wheelchair accessible. Call 978-470-1829 or visit www.loricaartworks.com.

GIANT INDOOR YARD SALE

A Fall White Elephant and Rummage Sale is being sponsored by the Women's Guild of the Melrose Highlands Congregational Church, 355

Franklin Street, Melrose.

This giant indoor yard sale will be held in Fellowship Hall on Friday, September 28 from 6 to 8 p.m. and Saturday, September 29 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Coffee and donuts will be available on Saturday.

Proceeds from the sale help support the Guild's charitable and community activities. Handicapped access is located at the rear entrance to the church on West Highland Avenue.

ADOPTION OPTION OCTOBER 14TH

On Sunday, October 14 the Adoption Option will meet at Jordan's Furniture, 50 Walker's Brook Drive, Reading from 9 - 11 a.m. This is a free informational event open to anyone interested in the adoption of older children or siblings from foster care.

Prospective adoptive parents can meet waiting children and their social workers in a fun, informal setting. Informative workshops, refreshments, family entertainment and activities are included.

Contact the Massachusetts Adoption Resource Exchange for more information and to register at 617-54-ADOPT (617-542-3678) or www.mareinc.org.

CHICKAMAUGA IS CIVIL WAR TOPIC

The Civil War Roundtable of the Merrimack will meet at 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, October 10 at the Hilton Senior Center, 61 Lafayette Road (Route 1), Salisbury.

The topic will be "A Roundtable Discussion of the Battle of Chickamauga" moderated

by Bob Sullivan. Admission is free and anyone with an interest in America's Civil War is invited to attend.

For more information call Tom at 978-462-8518.

BURLINGTON HISTORICAL SOCIETY TO MEET

The Burlington Historical Society will hold its next meeting on Thursday, October 4 at 6:30 p.m. in the Senior Center Kelly-Murray wing.

The program for the evening will feature a talk about the Great Molasses Flood of 1919 by Stephen Puleo, author of the critically acclaimed Boston area best seller "Dark Tide, The Great Boston Molasses Flood of 1919."

Dark Tide was selected by the Boston Author's Club as a finalist for its prestigious Julia Ward Howe Award. Dark Tide is slated to be part of an upcoming Discovery Channel series.

Stephen grew up in Burlington and is a graduate of Burlington High School.

A business meeting will follow the presentation. Refreshments will be served and a small raffle will be held. Guest fee is \$2. All are welcome to attend.

BASIC BOATING IS COURSE TOPIC

The Beverly Sail and Power Squadron, a unit of the United States Power Squadron, dedicated to the education and safety in boating, is holding a 10 week course on Tuesday nights.

If you have a desire to prepare for boating safely, before owning a boat - or as a present boat owner - please call Jim Curran in Beverly at 978-927-2932.

KICK OFF SUPPER AT TEMPLE EMMANUEL

The Sisterhood of Temple Emmanuel in Wakefield invites area women to a Kick Off Supper on Monday, October 1 at 6:30 p.m. Enjoy a delicious meal, renew friendships and make new ones.

The purpose of the Sisterhood is to aide the Congregation of Temple Emmanuel and its religious school. Events planned are to foster a sense of communal responsibility by encouraging civic and philanthropic activities as well as to contribute to the support and encouragement of Hebrew education and Jewish culture.

The annual dinner is free to those who pay their annual dues which can be mailed to the Temple or paid that evening. Dues are \$15, plus a \$10 contribution to the Oneg Shabbat fund.

A highlight of the Kick Off Supper is an auction led by Marilyn Tapper of unwrapped interesting items donated by members. Those attending are asked to bring food goods for the Wakefield Interfaith Food Pantry.

LIFE IN RETIREMENT IS SPEAKER TOPIC

David D. Corbett, author of Portfolio-Life: The New Path to Work, Purpose and Passion After 50, will speak Thursday, September 27 at 7 p.m. at the Flint Memorial Library, 147 Park Street, North Reading. His talk is the first program in a three-part series on "Post-Career Adventures and Ventures" or "How to Get the Most Out of the Rest of Your Life!"

Founder of New Directions, a Boston-based firm, which counsels older people on how to make the transition to retirement, Mr. Corbett will address issues faced by many people today.

Publisher's Weekly has called his book, "Insightful and readable....(it) provides concrete instructions on how to get started." Natalie Jacobson, former news anchor from WCVB-TV Boston says, "...Portfolio Life is the guide, leading Boomers to a life path never before travelled by so many. Don't pass 50 without it."

The other two programs in the series are "Carpe Diem Grandmas - Not Your Typical Group," on Tuesday, October 23 at 7 p.m. and "Senior Center - Let's Break out of the Tradition!" a presentation by Mary Prenney, Director of the Edith A. O'Leary Senior Center of North Reading.

The series is co-sponsored by the Friends of the Flint Memorial Library and the Friends of the North Reading Council on Aging. It is free and open to the public. Call the library at 978-664-4942 for further information.

SING UP FOR SENIOR CHARLIECARD

The MBTA staff will be on hand at the Woburn Senior Center on the following date to issue the new Senior and Transportation Access Pass (T.A.P.) CharlieCard IDs. Staff will also be available at this time to answer any questions regarding the MBTA's new automated fare collection system.

The location is Woburn Senior Center, 144 School Street. The date is Friday September 21 and the time is 1 - 4 p.m.

New Senior/TAP CharlieCard IDs will be processed for customers exchanging their old Senior/T.A.P. IDs (issued before May 2005) and to first-time senior customers (65+ with proof of age.) The new Senior Photo ID will arrive by mail.

Applications for new T.A.P.

CharlieCard IDs will also be available. Upon approval first-time applicants may obtain the new ID at the MBTA's Office for Transportation Access located at Back Bay Station.

Questions call 617-222-5436, 1-800-543-8287 or 617-222-5854.

LOCAL RED CROSS VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The American Red Cross of Mass Bay-North Area, located at 85 Lowell Street in Peabody, is looking for volunteers in a variety of areas. The greatest need is in the following positions:

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Health and Safety Instructions - Help us save lives! To meet the public demand volunteers are needed to serve as Health and Safety Instructors, teaching CPR, First Aid, baby sitting or other community safety classes. These classes are held weekdays, evenings and on Saturdays at the Peabody office. Ideally a commitment of 6 classes (4 hours each) per year is desired. The next

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Please contact Kelli at mahnoeykel@usa.redcross.org or in the Peabody office Monday through Friday from 8:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. at 978-531-2280 for more information.

MOTHER OF TWINS CLOTHING SALE.

A Fall Sale sponsored by the Mass. Mothers of Twins-Founding Chapter of gently used children's clothing, toys, equipment and books will be held on Saturday, September 29 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Winchester High School cafeteria, 80 Skillings Road, Winchester. Admission is \$1 (under 14 free.)

It is cash and carry; no checks or charges. For more information call 781-989-3222 or visit www.mmotafounding.org.

NARFE CHAPTER MEETING

On October 3rd, being the 1st Wednesday of October, NARFE will be having its meeting at the

Calendar to S-7

Barrett

From S-1

Gypsy will be at the Stoneham Theatre until October 7. Barrett will then go into rehearsal for The Mystery of Edwin Drood at the Speakeasy Stage in the Boston Center for the Arts (November 16 to December 15). She is also scheduled to appear during February in Steel Magnolia's at the Fiddlehead Theater in Norwood.

As if all of this is not enough, Barrett is also a member of the acapella group Where's the Band. This has afforded her the opportunity to appear before college audiences as well as corporate audiences.

This is an ambitious and well done production by the Stoneham Theatre and once again the artistic team led by Artistic Director Weylin Symes has been able to pull it off.

Gypsy is directed by Caitlan Lowans, who has allowed her actors to portray their parts to the fullest. The beauty of her staging is shown by the minimal set, which leaves room on the stage for the orchestra and provides just enough guidance to allow the audience to use their imagination to enjoy the production to its fullest.

Eve Kagan does a wonderful job as the young Louise, who grows into Gypsy Rose Lee and plays her part showing the range of shyness from Louise to the bravado that the young girl learned from her mother and, which allowed her to develop as Gypsy.

Filling out the main cast of characters is Scott H. Severance as Herbie, the long suffering agent, and Mama Rose's suitor. He played his part with a sensitivity that allows Rose and Gypsy to shine but lets the audience know that he is on the stage.

Many of the areas young people fill out the roles of the child actors that played with Louise and her younger sister, Baby June, who would grow up to become the renowned Hollywood dancer and actress June Havoc. The young troupe is led by Wakefield's Emily Sheeran, who plays the younger Baby June, who was supposed to be the star of the show, according to Rose's plan.

At nine years-old, Sheeran shows a stage maturity that bodes a bright future for the young actress.

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School Notes

by Phyllis Nissen

OFF AND RUNNING

The next steps (Tewksbury)

"The System Wide Goals for the 2007-2008 school year represent the first year initiatives on the new five year plan for the Tewksbury Public Schools," notes the "Tewksbury Town Crier."

"This plan is organized around four major areas. These areas include: curriculum and instruction, program improvement and accountability, school resources and social responsibility. The content of this plan was developed from 37 focus groups. The content was also drawn from the next steps from our 2006-2007 goals."

"The greatest concentration of our effort will be in the area of curriculum and instruction. We will work hard to support the success of all students by implementing the new Response to Intervention (RTI) efforts, developing a new kindergarten reporting system and increasing time for mathematics instruction. We will monitor the effectiveness of the curriculum and instruction through the use of curriculum mapping, the development of more consistent rubrics to assess student work, and an increase in the use of data to inform and adjust teaching practice. Some specific work will include the detailed analysis of the student test scores on the new grade nine biology course and the expanded use of our new DIBELS assessment tool."

"The goals in the area of program improvement include the implementation of year-long building based professional development sessions, the development of a series of formative assessment tools and work in response to our Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) designation through the federal No Child Left Behind regulations."

"The work in the area of school resources is linked to the availability of funds to maintain reasonable class

size and the current range of academic offerings....

"The final area of the plan addresses the issue of social responsibility. Goals in this area are directed at the social-emotional development of our students, the promotion of a safe school culture and the strengthening of communication both within our school district and between the school district and the home and community...."

In the interim (Lynnfield)

"After conducting a brief interview during their meeting, the School Committee voted, upon Superintendent Dr. Richard Palermo's recommendation, to accept Steven K. Kaplan as the school system's interim director of special services," notes the "Lynnfield Villager."

"As director, Kaplan will be in charge of nurses, special education and other services that are provided to students."

"Before the Committee voted, Palermo called Kaplan a capable candidate and stated, 'I think he has the background and experience to do well this year.'"

"Kaplan replaces Colleen Dolan who shocked the school administration last March by announcing she would leave Lynnfield for Reading."

"The interview process allowed Kaplan to introduce himself to the Committee, giving a detailed account of his past work experience. This was followed by a round of questioning in which each member of the board asked two questions of Kaplan."

"Kaplan spent the last year as director of a special education program at Caldwell Elementary School. Prior to this position, he worked briefly as a software sales consultant for special education software, but found he missed the direct interaction of his previous career."

"All told, Kaplan has been involved with special educa-

tion and school psychology since the mid 1970s...."

Great sports (Reading)

"The Friends of Reading Tennis Task Force (FRITTF) continues its efforts to raise funds to reconstruct the community tennis courts at the Birch Meadow Athletic Complex," notes the Reading edition of the "Daily Times Chronicle."

"They are looking forward to seeing the Reading High School Varsity Tennis Teams play on beautiful new courts when the project is completed. The teams have always been a source of athletic pride for Reading as they consistently play well and earn a slot to compete in the State tournament."

"This year Reading has cause to celebrate the Girl's Varsity Tennis Team, as they were awarded the Good Sportsmanship Award from the Massachusetts Interscholastic Athletic Association (MIAA). They were nominated by their coach, Roberta DiPiero, and were selected for their impressive team spirit and admirable demeanor on the court."

"The FRITTF is especially proud to be able to claim an association with the team Captains, Ashley Chuha and Anneliese Waddington. Both girls have volunteered their time to support the FRITTF fundraising efforts. They have folded brochures and stuffed envelopes. They served pizza and worked 'the buzzer' at the Texas Hold 'em Poker Night, a very successful event."

"Ashley and Anneliese are both four year Reading High Varsity players. Their team ended this season with a 16-2 record, finishing second to Winchester in league play. Reading went on to lose in the State quarterfinals...."

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Athletes & Activities

by Paul Feely

MIDDLESEX EAST SPORTS WEEKLY TRIVIA QUESTION:

Which NFL team has won the most league titles?

Answer appears elsewhere in this column.

• **WINCHESTER'S JIMMY MCCAFFREY** is a member of the Buckingham, Browne and Nichols football team this year. In the season opener, he had 113 receiving yards and two touchdowns in a 41-21 win over Wakefield.

• **BENTLEY SENIOR DEFENSIVE TACKLE SCOTT MILLER (READING/READING HS)** has been named the Defensive Player of the Week in the Northeast-10 Conference following his outstanding performance in Friday night's 48-23 win over American International College.

Miller helped the Falcons to their first win of the season with five tackles, two quarter-

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"Seniors (age 65 and older), students with IDs and special needs: cash ride - \$1; transfers - 50 cents; six-month pass - \$50; three months pass - \$30."

"At a recent meeting of the Board of Selectmen, Selectwoman Sonia Rollins, the board's representative to the B-Line Advisory Committee, said the panel is looking at sponsorships and is discussing potential route changes."

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back sacks (-8 yards) and two fumble recoveries, the second of which he forced as well. Both fumble recoveries led to Bentley scoring drives (one TD, one field goal).

Miller's numbers become even more impressive when one considers that AIC ran only 53 plays from scrimmage in the contest, less than Bentley had in the first half alone. The Yellow Jackets were limited to 242 yards total offense, 12 first downs and 3-for-10 on third down conversions.

For the season, the third-year starter leads the team in tackles for losses with 3.5, and is second amongst the Falcons' defensive linemen in tackles with 10.

• Bentley junior Melissa Nash (Marshfield/Marshfield HS) was Bentley's top finisher in the Boston College Invitational cross-country meet on Friday afternoon at Franklin Park. Nash posted a time of 19:01, good for 47th place as the Falcons finished last in a ten-team field. Bentley was the only Division II school at the meet, which was won by Syracuse, who edged host Boston College.

• **JUNIOR CAROLINE S H E E D Y (READING/READING HS)** crossed the finish line in 20:20, followed closely by senior Meaghan Munroe (Haverhill/Haverhill HS) ten seconds later. Freshman Cheryl Martin (Pittsfield/St. Joseph Central HS) was the fourth Falcon finisher with a 21:06, while freshman Lori Heintzelman (Marietta, Ga./Holy Innocents Episcopal HS) and senior Katelyn McCoy (Arlington/Arlington HS) rounded out the field.

Valparaiso junior Laura Rolf (Rochester, Mich.) won the race, completing the course in 17:14.

• Need some help with this week's question? It's not the Patriots.

• The Nashua Pride announced today that the Can-Am League has sold the con-

tract of **NORTH READING NATIVE AND RELIEVER STEVE PALAZZOLO** to Major League Baseball's San Francisco Giants.

Palazzolo is no stranger to affiliated baseball having spent time in the Milwaukee Brewer organization.

Steve Palazzolo was arguably the Pride's top setup man out of the bullpen in the 2007 season. He led the team with a 2.14 ERA and a .208 opponents batting average. The North Reading, MA native was tied for third in the league with 43 appearances. In 54.2 innings pitched, the 6'10" righthander allowed only 41 hits while striking out 63 batters.

Steve Palazzolo is the second player to have his contract bought by Major League organizations in the 2007 season, and is the fifth player sold to an affiliated team since the Nashua Pride joined the Can-Am League in 2006.

• Out of an initial field of 8 golfers, **COURTNEY CANN OF READING**, is the Ladies Bear Hill Club Champion for 2007, and Eleanor DePasquale of Revere, is the runner up for Club Champion. This match was tied after the 18th hole and required a sudden death playoff hole to determine this year's champion.

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• **ANSWER TO THIS WEEK'S TRIVIA QUESTION:** The answer is the Green Bay Packers, who have won 12 titles.

• **DO YOU KNOW SOMETHING WE DON'T?** If you have information about a local athlete that you would like to see appear in this column, please email it to readingchronicle@comcast.net, or mail it to: Paul Feely, Middlesex East Sports, P.O. Box 240, Reading, Ma., 01867, or call Paul at 781-944-2200.

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Calendar FROM S-5

Reading Senior Center. The Senior Center is located at (old fire house) 29 Pleasant Street, Reading. If coming, please enter after 1:15 p.m. Refreshments will be provided by the board.

As in the past, October is Blue Cross/Blue Shield Month. Alex Stathopoulos will talk more on the national Vision Plan and healthy Dental Plan. He'll distribute handouts and talk about what can be expected in FEHBP changes for for year 2008. A Q and A session will follow.

All active and retired federal employees are welcome to the meetings. It starts at 1:45 p.m.

WATERCOLORIST AT STONEHAM LIBRARY
Jeannette Corbett has been

displaying her artwork at the Stoneham Library for several years. She grew up in Stoneham, and currently lives in Reading. She has taken many art courses and workshops over the years with noted north shore artists.

This summer she has painted "en Plein air" with her art group "The Warwick Painters" scenes of Stoneham, Melrose, Wakefield, Rockport and Gloucester. They recently hosted an exhibit at the Beebe Estate in Melrose depicting New England scenes. Many of these paintings will be exhibited at the library the month of October, along with watercolors of Italian landscapes and city scenes.

Mrs. Corbett is an active member of the Reading Art Association, Woburn Guild of Artists, Lynnfield Art Guild,

Concord Art Association, Lexington Arts and Crafts Society, and an associate member of the Rockport Art Association, and the North Shore Art Association, where she has been awarded many awards. Her art is on display at banks, shops, hospitals and galleries.

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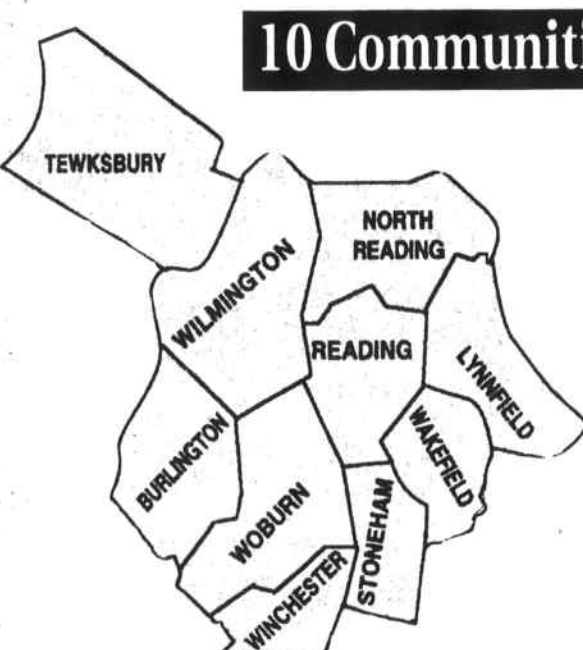


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and spills, and periodic overall cleaning. Shaw recommends using the hot-water extraction method, often referred to as "steam cleaning," although no steam is actually generated. Shaw's research indicates that this method provides the best capability for cleaning.

CARPET VALUE

Carpet is a remarkably durable and practical floor covering. Technological advances in everything from fiber to backing enable carpet manufacturers to offer products suitable for virtually any residential or commercial setting - indoors or out! Shaw, for example, now offers "Inside Out," a collection of styles suitable for indoor use as well as outdoor settings such as patios, porches, and walkways.

It is important to recognize that carpet is also an exceptional value and, in general, is significantly less expensive than other floor coverings. Best of all, carpet is a beautiful home furnishing that can add elegance, comfort, and fashion to any setting. Extremely versatile, carpet is available in an extraordinary selection of styles, patterns, and colors. From solid, formal cut piles and shags to natural, loop pile Berbers and patterned cut/loop styles, carpet affords unlimited decorating flexibility.

Carpet can serve as a neutral backdrop that complements other furnishings, or it can make a statement as the focal point of a decor. The only truly three-dimensional floor covering, carpet offers textural possibilities that other hard surfaces lack.

Choosing a time to sell a home

Homeowners are fully aware of the fluctuating real estate market that's existed since the turn of the century. What's a good market one day might be bad the very next, making it even more difficult to choose a time to put a home up for sale.

Often adding to that difficulty is the handful of other variables, such as weather, geographical location, and just how many other people are selling at the same time as you. Those thinking of putting their home up should consider the following factors first.

Local economy: If your local economy is struggling, then it's generally a bad

time to put your home up for sale. High unemployment rates are one thing, but if a large company with rumored layoffs is in your immediate area, chances are people will be shying away from looking for a home. Large purchases such as home buying are understandably put on the back burner when people fear they might be losing their jobs.

On the other hand, if a large company is moving into your area and bringing with it an entirely new workforce, this is great for your local economy and represents a good time to put your home up for sale, as those migrating to your area will need a place to live.

Interest rates: This is a no-brainer, but low interest rates make housing more affordable, creating a great opportunity for sellers. Chances are, if you're selling a home, you're also looking to buy one, so low interest rates will not only help you sell your home, but help you better afford to buy your new one as well.

Competition: Competition can work in two ways. If

your home is one of very few in your area on the market, that's a good thing, as potential buyers will be more likely to compromise if there are fewer choices available to them. However, buyers like to comparison shop as well, and might be quick to make a decision if they can compare your house to another in a similar price range.

Pending sales: The pending sales in your area can indicate whether a market is moving slowly or rapidly. Pending sale refers to homes that have been sold but not yet closed. To determine how quickly or slowly a market is moving, compare the number of pending sales to the number of new listings. If there are substantially more new listings than pending sales, the market's not moving fast, and it might not be the best time to sell your home. If the ratio is closer to 1:1, then the market's doing well. In general, there will always be more new listings than pending sales, but the closer the two numbers are to one another will indicate the condition of the market you're about to enter.

Carpet from S-11

Another, often overlooked advantage of carpet is its ability to improve indoor air quality. EPA scientists have concluded that carpet can be beneficial in trapping and immobilizing potential allergy-causing particulates, preventing them from reentering the indoor air stream, if the carpet is properly cleaned and maintained. Similar results have been obtained in a number of other studies conducted in recent years. The Carpet and Rug Institute (CRI) explains the research:

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through natural gravity. Professional Testing Labs (an independent industry laboratory) studied the distribution of airborne dust associated with normal activities on hard and soft flooring surfaces. Their findings showed that walking on hard surfaces disturbed more particles. These particles became airborne and entered the breathing zone. In contrast, carpeted surfaces trapped more particles so that walking disturbed fewer particles. Result: less dust in the breathing zone over carpeted floors."

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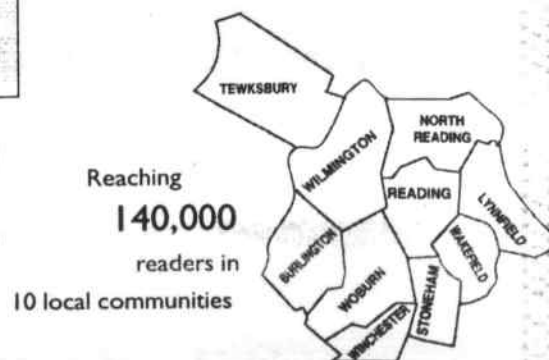
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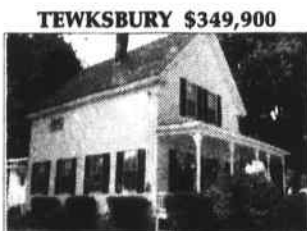
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42 ROGERS STREET was sold to Rogers Common LLC by Wamesit Village LLC for \$2,850,000.

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421 ANDOVER STREET was sold to Stephen and Carrie Schoenholtz by John and Felicia Barletta for \$462,000.

4 CENTRAL STREET was sold to Scott and Kelly Fitzgerald by Rebecca Marks for \$475,000.

12 ELEANOR DRIVE was sold to Amy Smith and Vernon Hydrn by CS Newhouse Bldrs Inc for \$720,000.

14 MILL ROAD was sold to Ronald and Michael King by Michael and Justine Sutton for \$545,000.

530 WOBURN STREET was sold to Michael Watson by Wells Fargo Bk for \$287,500.

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READING - \$425,000 - A great location near the library, excellent condition and lots of charm! Many recent updates include new granite/stainless kitchen, all new windows, new bath and exterior paint. Living room FP has built-ins, hardwood floors throughout, heated bonus room over garage is ideal for office or study. Close to train and town center - A commuters dream!

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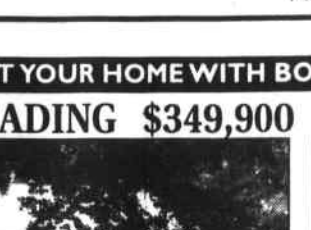
STONEHAM - \$339,900 - SHORT SALE! Plenty of room in this expanded dormered Cape. This property is ready for its new owner to bring it back to life. Huge potential, kitchen boasts granite countertops (cabinets are dated), ceramic tile floors, stainless steel appliances. Formal DR leads to private deck. LR features a traditional FP, HW floors and a bay window. Family Room has vaulted ceiling & lots of windows. Home needs new plumbing, pipes have burst, bathrooms are dated. Basement should likely be gutted. Price reflects work needed

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READING - \$499,900 - Inviting "Farmers' Porch" leads you to an impeccably maintained home. Oversized updated kitchen has separate eating area. French doors and gleaming hardwood flooring are just a few of the amenities this home has to offer! First floor laundry, two full baths and three bedrooms up. Attached legal apartment make this home a great option for in-law, au pair or rental income.

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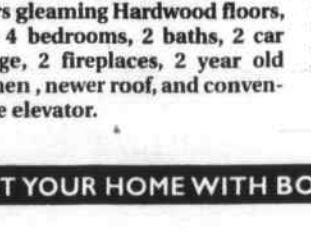
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READING - \$349,900 - Move-in condition shed dormer Cape with attached one-car garage. Nicely updated home features newer kitchen and appliances, separate breakfast area with access to deck and brick patio. Front to back living room with fireplace, 1st floor den with built-ins. Large Master Bedroom with two closets. Updated full bath and very useable basement. A must see property.

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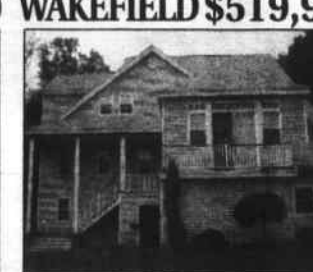
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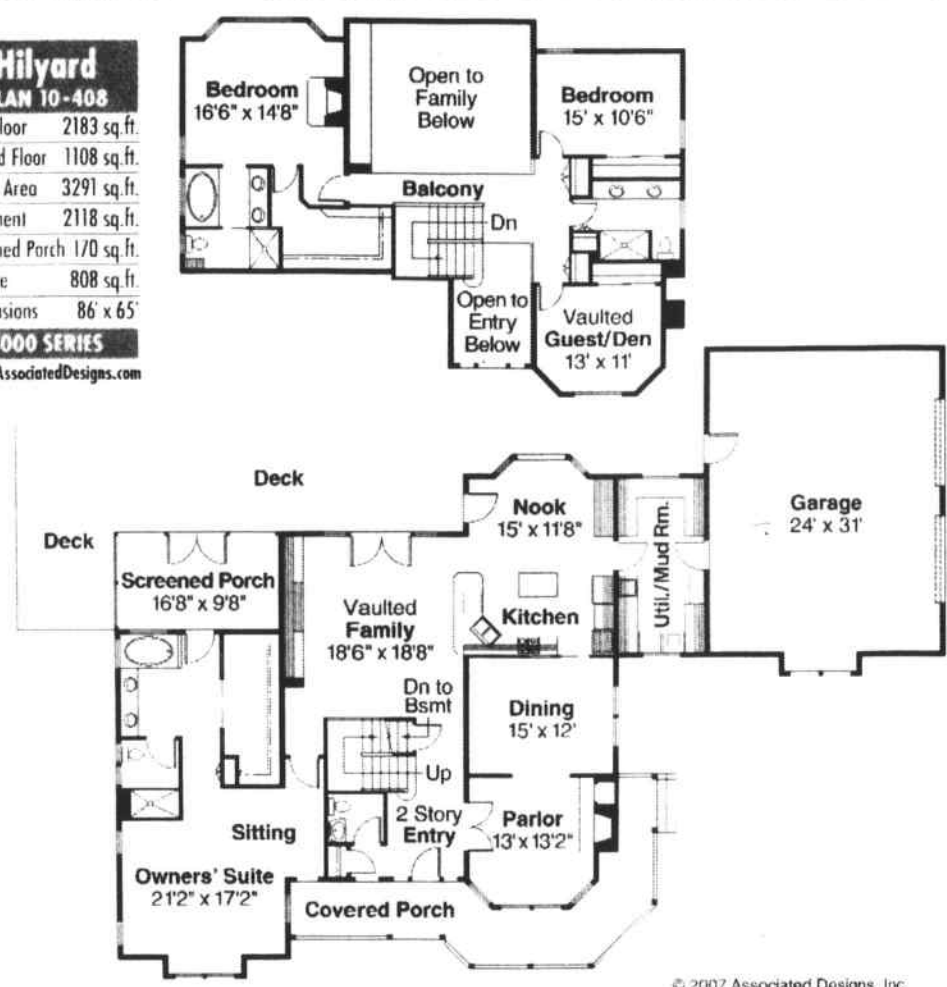
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There are no real estate transactions to report in Burlington this week.

-LYNNFIELD-

1200 SALEM STREET #196 was sold to Vincent Meoli by Francis Rossetti for \$415,000.

-NORTH READING-

JUNCTION ROAD was sold to Neve Holdings Inc and North Shore N Read Hold by Arthur Hawkins for \$15,000.

-READING-

19 BOYCE STREET was sold to Allison Bates-Sgro and Matthew Sgro by Janelle and Jonathan Bonasera for \$509,000.

7 BOYCE STREET was sold to Jonathan and Janelle Bonasera by Joanne Elizabeth Layhe for \$555,000.

12 CARNATION CIRCLE was sold to Kosalaram Goteti and Sreevalli Sikham by Carolyn Martin and Lisa Sinclair for \$385,000.

17 CONDOR ROAD was sold to Timothy and Danielle Fennelly by Lasalle Bk for \$360,000.

HAVERHILL STREET was sold to Teds Constr&Sons and Karen Kosiavelon by Patricia and David Malphrus for \$300,000.

605 SUMMER AVENUE #128 was sold to Kathleen Devine by Phyllis Mcween for \$200,000.

-STONEHAM-

21 CABOT ROAD was sold to Sheri and Robert Pizzi by 21 Cabot Road NT and Leonard Tammaro for \$574,000.

14 DRURY LANE was sold to Frank Dichappari by Murphy Ruth T Est and Joseph Duggan for \$334,000.

15 EMERALD COURT was sold to Scott Spindler by Winchester SB for \$241,000.

120 FELLVIEW TERRACE #122 was sold to Amy Hannon and Joan Missick by Christopher Cinella for \$200,000.

44 MAIN ST #307 was sold to Joanne Layhe by Lois Adams for \$319,900.

300 PARK TERRACE DRIVE #323 was sold to Konstantin Shvachko by Josephine Migliore for \$248,000.

23 SUMMERHILL STREET was sold to Adam Sullivan by Sharyn Lahaise for \$482,500.

1 WAGNER ROAD was sold to Jonathan Fox and Sheila Arvikar by Marink LLC for \$510,000.

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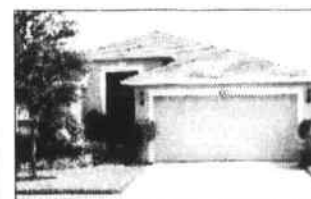
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